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Redwood turns up pressure

Rifkind warns of long war over beef ban

MALCOLM RIFKIND warned Europe last night that Britain's campaign of non-cooperation may continue until the autumn unless there is agreement to lift the beef ban.

The Foreign Secretary hardened Britain's position over the crisis after John Major held the first meeting of his so-called "war cabinet" to decide tactics in the offensive against the rest of the EU.

Mr Rifkind said that Britain's refusal to co-operate in decisions requiring unanimous support was already biting. He signalled a lengthy campaign against the EU unless Britain's European partners lifted the ban on beef products such as gelatin, tallow and semen and agreed to a framework for the eventual

lifting of the ban on beef. We do not know if this will run for days, weeks, perbaps even two to three months, perhaps even longer. The poli-cy will continue until the objective bas been achieved." Officials said that it had to be made clear to EU members that "this is not a tantrum. It will be a well thought out and concerted campaign to achieve the result we consider to be

Although Mr Rifkind said that Britain would not back down over the issue, he conceded that, if ministers from other countries believed there should be an exception for a very serious issue, the exception would require the agree-ment of British ministers collectively. He added: "We do not anticipate exemptions." Last night, the Foreign Sec-

for a two-week

Fun in the sun

Tens of thousands of Britons

are flying out this weekend

including a family who have

bought a fortnight's fly-drive holiday in Florida for £9 a

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retary was heading for confrontation with Tory rightwingers who are pressing the Government to go much further in its showdown with the EU. Two former Cabinet ministers led the right-wing

charge.
John Redwood, said in one of his most outspoken attacks on Europe so far that the Prime Minister had shown a welcome determination to stand up for British interests, but it was not a lasting solution to British helplessness in the face of the mighty

European Court.
Mr Redwood, writing in today's Times, said: "We must today's Times, said: "We must use the new notoriety we have gained by our threat of non-cooperation to articulate a better vision of Europe, to offer our partners a choice, to say there is a different way from that recommended by Chancellor Kohl."

The right-wing calls for war to be waged on several different fronts were led by Lord Tebbit, the former Tory Party chairman, who said: Prime Minister has upped the stakes very considerably. They are absolutes for him. If he is not successful, it is goodnight. If be wins game set and match, it will be a huge upside

for the Prime Minister." Tony Blair criticised the Conservatives' language over the crisis, a crisis that is expected to cost the country £2.4 billion by 1999, according to a parliamentary written answer, although the EU is likely to meet a quarter of that sum. The Leader of the Opposition told Italian leaders that

Tory talk of "war on Europe" was irresponsible, foolish and deeply unhelpful. But at the

same time he gave qualified support to Mr Major's policy on the ground that the national interest was at stake. Ministers' irritation was exacerbated when the European Court of Justice ruled that the Government had wrongly prevented a British animal export company from exporting sheep to Spanish slaughter-

houses. Mr Major called Mr Rifkind and Douglas Hogg, the Agriculture Minister, to Downing Street for a 40-minute meeting to draw up the battle lines for the non-co-

operation campaign. A taste of the obstruction to come was delivered to a ministerial council in Brussels that was to have approved measures on civil protection in manmade and natural disasters. Britain refused to endorse the three items that were due for unanimous approval. The impact of the British stance was described yesterday by Franco Barberi, an Italian secretary of state, as paralysis. "I am very disap-

pointed," he said. While the EU tried to assess the damage from an obstruction campaign that is proving tougher than expected. Com-mission officials said there was little prospect that the other EU states would agree to Mr Major's demand for a deadline for lifting the overall

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'I saw his knife and I pleaded with him not to hurt Steve'



Miss Cable being comforted by her father Jim during the interview at a London hotel yesterday

Road rage woman tells of fiancé's stabbing

A YOUNG woman who saw her fiancé stabbed to death during a "road rage" attack described yesterday how she pleaded with

the killer not to hurt him.

Danielle Cable, 17, a waitress, said other motorists ignored her requests and she was helpless as her boyfriend, Stepben Cameron,

21, died in her arms. Giving her first interview since he was murdered on a motorway intersection in Kent on Sunday Miss Cable described the killer as "a monster". She said she wished she too had been killed "so we could still be together". Detectives have been unable to trace the murderer or his vehicle, an L-

registration Land Rover Discovery.

Miss Cable said she could not understand what provoked the attack. She was on the roundabout when the Land Rover came from nowhere. "I had to brake quite sharply. Steve was just shaking his head as if to say you idiot, but he was joking more than anything." Both vehicles stopped at traffic lights and the other driver got out.

Steve got out to see what he wanted and be hit Steve. I got out and begged him not to hurt him. I was begging the other drivers to help. Everyone just ignored me.*

Cameron tried to kick the knife out of the man's hands. "I saw his knife and I was pleading with him not to hurt Steve. I couldn't go near him because I thought he'd hurt me. Steve was trying to kick the knife out of his hand and looking at me to say 'stay back." Her fiance was then stabbed and collapsed but was able to speak to her briefly.

"Steve came round and said 'He has stabbed me Dan, get the number plate. I held him and he just looked at me. There was blood going everywhere. He was just looking at me and said 'Please help me', and there

was nothing I could do."

Miss Cable spoke in a quiet, hesitant voice. She was close to breaking down on several occasions during the interview. "I was trying to get him to stay with me but it was just too late." During the attack she screamed for help from passing motorists.

They just sat in their cars and didn't do anything." Miss Cable, who also appeared

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Britain gives Europe a taste of stonewalling

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

BRITAIN put the brakes on the EU machine yesterday, blocking its first action at ministerial level while the continental media succumbed to a tide of indignation over London's beef campaign and the bellicose chorus from the British popular press.

A taste of the obstruction to

come was delivered to a ministerial council that was to approve measures on civil protection in man-made and natural disasters. David Bostock, Britain's deputy EU ambassador, gave the gathering an announcement that is to become ritual as long as Britain's beef is subject to an open-ended export ban. "The British Government is obliged to approach today's agenda in the wider context of the crisis on BSE," he was quoted as

saying. That meant Britain would refuse to endorse all three items which were due for unanimous approval. Britain's envoys and ministers will thus be injecting beef into every decision-making forum, from foreign policy to trans-

Although Britain had long been reluctant to approve EU co-operation on civil protec-don, it had been expected to go along with the measures. The impact was described by Franco Barberi, an Italian secretary of state and chairman yesterday, as "paralysis". "I am very disappointed," he

Meanwhile, Stephen Wall, the ambassador, told his colleagues on Coreper, the acronym for the powerful ambassadorial council that runs EU business, that Britain would not sign an accord on company insolvency and would withhold support from preparations for the Europol convention. The final go-Continoed oo page 2, col l

RADA's grant for **Blitz** repairs

The Royal Academy of Dra-matic Art was awarded £22,750,000 from the Arts Council's lottery funds, which will go towards renovating and extending the college's dilapidated premises Bloomsbury, central London.

In the past, any money raised has been spent oo tuition, although the building has never recovered from being bombed in 1942. The news was welcomed by many former studentsPage

England control Oval match

An inspired spell of seam bowling by Chris Lewis, the Surrey all-rounder surprisingly recalled for the one-day cricket series against India, left England firmly in control of the first international at the Oval. Lewis took four wickets before bad light halted play early with India reeling on 96 for five. They need another 196 to win when the game

Taylor rallies peers to block Howard's plan

By Frances Gibb, legal correspondent

LORD TAYLOR, the Lord Chief Justice, supported by an array of former Tory ministers and other peers, gave a clear signal to the Government yesterday that they would seek to block flagship plans for tough-er prison sentences in the runup to the general election.

The proposals, expected in a Criminal Justice Bill this autumn, were repeatedly condemned by peers, including Lord Carr of Hadley, a former Home Secretary, as unworkable and amounting to a "denial of justice".

Lord Taylor, who is retiring because of ill-health, chose to use his final speech as Lord Chief Justice to issue a warning that the Government's proposals - which he said were based on "shallow and untested figures" - would have "grave consequences". He added: "I venture to suggest that never in the history of our criminal law have such

far-reaching proposals been put forward on the strength of such flimsy and dubious

evidence." The proposals by Michael Howard, the Home Secretary. for minimum sentences for repeat burglars and drug dealers, and automatic life sentences for repeat violent and sexual offenders, are expected to be contained in a Bill this autumn. Determined opposition in the Lords, bowever, could effectively prevent the Bill passing through Par-liament before the election.

Lord Taylor's successor as Lord Chief Justice will be announced today - he is Sir Thomas Bingham, the present Master of the Rolls. His post will be taken by Lord Woolf, the law lord, who sat at Lord Taylor's side during his address yesterday.

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Hacker takes command of US Air Force computer net

FROM IAN BRODLE

A TEENAGE backer in London, using the on-line codename Datastream Cowboy, took control of the computer

network at a top US Air Force research laboratory, government investigators in Washington said yesterday.

Working with an accomplice known as Kuji, who was possibly a foreign agent, the 16-year-old's attack from

while files were rummaged. Repairing the break-in and adding security patches" cost half a million dollars. The penetracon was at Rome Laboratory in New York state, the premier

Air Force command and control re-search centre which works on weapons systems, artificial intelligence and radar guidance. During their attacks, the hackers stole information on the methods used by Air Force commanders to relay secret intelligence and targeting information during wartime.

Datastream Cowboy's hacking was

described as an example of a growing and serious threat to US national security in reports and testimony to a Senate committee by the US General Accounting Office. The report said that hackers attacked Pentagon computer systems as many as 250,000 times last year, gaining entry in two out of every three attempts. Although the study showed up the Pentagon's vulnerabili-ty, it focused on unclassified systems. which represent more than 90 per cent

Datastream Cowboy was caught two

Realising they had come to arrest him, he curled up on the floor and cried. Since then, legal proceedings have been pending against him for fraudulent use of the British telephone service. No charges have been brought against him for breaking into US military computers and American

a unique concept becomes a classic officials have been left wondering when and if he will be prosecuted.

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Labour divided on how to join battle

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SENIOR Labour figures were at odds last night over how to react to the campaign of noncooperation in Europe. As Tony Blair voiced muted support for the Government's position, senior colleagues made clear their fears that Britain's action smacked of party-politicking.

The Labour leader said that he would back the Government's efforts to have the beef ban lifted but made clear that his party would look at the issue on a case-by-case basis: The Government has embarked upon a strategy in which the national interest is now engaged. I will not undermine it, provided it is measured and lawful, and backed by a massive exercise in negotiation and diplomacy." While Mr Blair was visiting

Rome, senior colleagues at home were emphasising that the Conservatives were engaged in a domestic political campaign to woo Eurosceptics. Baroness Blackstone, Labour's foreign affairs spokesman in the Lords, accused the Government of "indulging in the folly of going to war with Europe in order to placate the European sceptics in the Conservative Party".

She asked Baroness Chalker, the foreign affairs minister: "Would you tell the House whether we are going to war with the US, Australia and Canada, at least one of which banned British beef before the

Donald Dewar, Labour's chief whip, said his party would support the Government provided it was not simply playing "ill-defined macho polities". Gavin Strang, the shadow Agriculture Minister, said: There is a lot of suspicion - and this extends beyond the ranks of the Labour party - with regard to this Government's



Dougles Hogg, the Agriculture Minister, after his 40-minute meeting with John Major to decide what stance to take on non-cooperation

Abattoirs win right to dispute the slaughter of older cattle

AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

A GROUP of abattoir owners and farmers won permission in the High Court yesterday to mount a legal challenge to the centrepiece of the Government's strategy for restoring consumer confidence in beef.

The Quality Meat and Livestock Alliance, which has some 50 members, contends that the Government acted unlawfully in banning the sale

more than 30 months old at slaughter. Lawyers for the group say the Government has failed to show there is any risk to health from eating these older cattle, the only ground for banning them under the Food Safety Act.

Mr Justice Carnwath said: "It seems to me that there is certainly an arguable point, although I express no view as to whether it will succeed." The full application for judi-cial review of the ban is likely to be heard in July. The challenge, if successful, would throw the Government's policy for dealing with the crisis in the beef industry into even greater disarray. It has also opened rifts within the farm-

ing community. Richard Macdonald, director-general designate of the National Farmers' Union. said: This challenge is not helpful and we do not support it. Culling animals older than 30 months is politically and were never happy with the cut-commercially important as a off at 30 months, which is far

Blocking unlikely on EMU

it should not be kindered." been a bad miscalculation." The alliance estimates that

But Ewen Cameron, president of the Country Landowners' Association and a leading dairy farmer, said the legal move could be useful if it increased pressure on the Government to exempt slow-maturing beef cattle from the cull. "We believe it is extremely important that this very wholesome beef should be excluded from the ban. We

burnt, ng plants. Richard North, an adviser to the group, said: "Farmers are having to destroy perfectly sound meat and perfectly good animals. Very sbortly we could be facing a serious beef

800,000 old dairy cows and

500,000 prime beef cattle will

be withdrawn from the mar-

ket and destroyed this year under the cull scheme, at a

cost to the taxpayer of more than £700 million, About

50,000 cattle have been de-

stroyed so far and are being

shortage in Britain." The ban on cattle older than 30 months was announced at the end of March after the disclosure by Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, that some people might have contracted the Creutzfeldt-Jakob brain condition — the human equivalent of "mad cow" disease - from eating beef infect-

ed with BSE. Cattle over 30 months old are regarded as being more likely to be incubating BSE. Supermarkets have based their strategy for restoring beef sales on a guarantee to consumers that all the beef on their shelves comes from animals under this age.

Boy, 11, found guilty of manslaughter

An II-year-old boy was found guilty yesterday of killing a pensioner when he dropped a 19lb slab of concrete from the top of a 12-storey tower block on to her head. It took a jury at Leeds Crown Court only 65 minutes to decide the boy, who was ten at the time, knew that what be was doing was wrong and that he was therefore guilty of the manslaughter of

Edna Condie, 74, in Leeds last August. The court was told that the boy, who had denied Mrs Condie's manslaughter, roared with laughter when a companion told him he had struck the woman. She died instantly. He later told police he had pushed the slab off "for fun" because he enjoyed being naughty. Mr Justice Potter adjourned sentence for three weeks for reports. The boy was remanded to local authority care.

Stationery deal rescued

A government deal to sell school stationery to Uzbekistan. which looked likely to cost the British taxpayer £3 million when it appeared to have fallen through, has been rescued by Stationery Office officials. After weeks of negotiations by a government team in Tashkent, the former Soviet republic agreed to pay the first instalment of £900,000 with the rest to follow during the year. Last month the National Audit Office chastised HMSO Scotland for shipping out the goods without proper safeguards to ensure payment.

Shot man had meeting

An Essex car dealer was shot twice in a classic gangland killing as he kept a rendezvous, police said yesterday. The killer then dumped John Marshall's body in his car on a south London street. Mr Marshall, 34, of Billericay, still had £5,000 in cash but a sports bag is missing. Yesterday police sources confirmed that Mr Marshall, 34, from Billericay, moved in the same circles as three Essex drug traffickers killed last December. Two men have been charged.

Majorca meningitis alert

Tourists began leaving a holiday complex in Alcudia, Majorca, after a British boy aged 13, from Sussex, and a German girl aged 11 died from meningitis after being taken ill while on holiday. Emergency supplies of vaccine are being taken out and a telephone helpline has been set up by Airtours, the main operator at the complex, for up to 500 bolidaymakers who are due to arrive in the next two weeks.

Our shame, by Carey

The Archbishop of Canter-bury, Dr George Carey, right, said yesterday that religions must admit re-sponsibilities for divided communities. Speaking in Chicago, Dr Carey pleaded for tolerance, and said: "Terrible things continue to be done in the name of religion which shames religion and makes it a disgrace." He called on leaders of all faiths to condemn atrocities by



Farm in quarantine

A farm and its surrounding area in East Sussex have been quarantined after an outbreak of a serious poultry disease, the first in more than ten years, the Ministry of Agriculture said yesterday. The viral infection, known as Newcastle. Disease, is highly contagious and affects pigeons and other birds as well as poultry. All the 1,700 birds on the affected farm, which is near Heathfield, will be slaughtered.

Tony Banks MP

A report in our first edition (May 8) about MPs defying the new earnings rule and register of MPs' interests stated that Tony Banks had failed to declare his interests. In fact, Mr Banks is an advocate of openness in these matters and had fully declared his interests, as all later editions made clear. We apologise for any embarrassment caused by the mistake.

Britain stonewalls

Continued from page 1 ahead for the EU police agency was to be one of the main items at the EU summit in Florence on June 21. Britain will attend ministerial meetings in Brussels next week on single market and development, but again will refrain from endorsing any decisions.

The scale of Britain's action seemed to have sunk in across Europe yesterday, generating a backlash of public anger. While politicians railed at what they depicted as counter-productive folly, commenta-tors voiced shock at the virulence of the anti-continental sentiments coming from the tabloid press and some British politicians. The German press was especially stung by what it

reported as an anti-German campaign in Britain, complete with every caricature from Frankfurter Rundschau

said that Mr Major was panieking. Frankfurter Algemeine Zeitung said the Prime Minister's ultimatum was really "a cry for help; aimed at Europe". In Brussels, La Libre Belgique said the tabloids seemed to be "sowing the same seeds of madness which led Germany to

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DIGITAL LINE RENTAL

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

BRITISH officials yesterday dismissed suggestions that the Government would use its obstruct the project for monetary union but they believe it could bold up business on some of the preparatory work. Technical preparations for EMU are gathering pace in Brussels and Frankfurt but no government decisions are imminent. The monetary committee, the team of senior finance officials in charge of the project, is continuing to

tive would be expected to note a planned joint statement on Britain's reservations on any decisions going forward for

ministerial assent. If there is no solution to the beef crisis, Britain will next give assent to the framework month probably withhold its endorsement of an interim report on the creation of a new exchange-rate mechanism to accompany the euro's launch, due in January 1999. Britain has, bowever, already dissented from the scheme favoured by all the other states.

If John Major turns the Florence summit, as he threatens, into a debate on beef, he

meet. Britain's representa- will presumably refuse to sign preparations for EMU.

In the longer term, despite its opt-out from the project. Britain will be required to for denominating bonds during the transition period and the design of the coinage that is due to be phased into circulation in six years' time.

Although British blocking could hold up a decision on that, the matter could wait for a year or two. A British official said the beef crisis should be over long before such decisions became urgent.

woke up that morning and he

told me he loved me." She

began crying as she appealed for anyone with information.

however trivial, to come

The family of Cameron also

released a photograph of him, with Miss Cable, taken the

day before he died. Cameron's

father, Ken, who took the

photograph in the front room of the family home in Swanley, said: "The two of

them were just larking about

Girl says drivers

forward.

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broadcast. this now and looking at my face, remembering that I was pleading with him not to kill the person I loved more than

nothing during the incident. Miss Cable, who wore a black jogging top and cream coloured trousers, described her feelings for Cameron, an electrician. The couple were engaged at Christmas and

life. He was everything to me. ried. We were going to get a were buying things for it."

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sped past killer Jim and Mandy, said: "Steve

programme last night, was asked to describe the killer. "He is a monster." She hoped the killer watched last night's

"I just hope he is watching anything. He just looked at me like I was dirt." She said the man, who drove off towards the Dartford Tunnel, said

planned to marry within a

"This man has destroyed my life because Steve was my We couldn't wait to get marbouse together soon and we

Miss Cable, from St Mary

in the living room enjoying one another's company. It was a spur of the moment thing but now I realise it's the last Miss Cable's father, who sat with a protective arm around her, praised his daughter's courage. "I think she has been

very brave. We can't stop grieving until they catch this monster. They have just got to catch him as soon as possible before he does it again." Asked what motive the kill-er could have had, Mr Cable

said: "For what? Why did he do it? How could you kill

Asthma appeal fails

daughter's clothes, bedding and soft toys all need daily washing, failed yesterday in a High Court attempt to have her domestie water rates cut. Tracey Davies, from

Kirkby, Merseyside, was refused leave to mount a judicial review against North West Water but Mr Justice Carnwath said companies might be obliged "as a general principle" to consider the special needs of customers when

A WOMAN whose asthmatic allowing rebates. Mrs Davies's two-year-old daughter, Bethany, suffers from severe asthma and the family had found it difficult to pay its metered water bill, which was well above average.

He said North West Water had done all that was required by law in assessing the case. Mrs Davies already receives housing benefit, income support and a disability living allowance to help provide for

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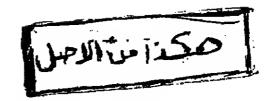
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Lib-Lab 'affair' costs Labour control of council

AND LIN JENKINS

RUMOURS of an affair between two politicians lost Labour a London council after a stormy meeting last night.

The alleged relacionship between the leaders of the Lab-our and Liberal Democrat groups in Havering, northeast London has been blamed for a series of defections over recent weeks which eroded Labour's slim hold on power. A coalition has taken control of the 63-sear council.

The leader of the Labour group. Arthur Latham, 66, formerly MP for Paddington and chairman of the Tribune group of MPs, and Caroline Hurlstone, 49, an English teacher, have both always firmly denied the relationship.

However, Mrs Hurlstone's husband Terry said yesterday he was suing her for divorce. Mr Hurlstone, who is currently on police bail after allegedly assaulting Mr Latham in his home six weeks ago, is waiting to see if he will be prosecuted.

Mrs Hurlstone said the of the ruling Labour/Lib-Dem alliance on the council was motivated by personality clashes and petty self-interest. Those responsi-ble, she said, had replaced the one political giant we have had with a bunch of pygmies." Mrs Hurlstone, who succeeded her husband as Liberal Democrat parliamentary candidate for Upminster, defected to Labour three weeks ago.

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Sheffi said.



Latham: former MP arid ousted leader

fair between herself and Mr Latham were merely a smokescreen and "absolute rubbish", she said. "The alliance had a one-vote majority on every comminee. We gave Labour the ability to act as the majority group, so we worked

She said those who defected from Labour had decided to do so before the incident "my-soon-to-be-exhusband", and Mr Latham. which had been the origin of stories about an affair. The four councillors who resigned the Labour whip had acted because they could not get

their own way poliocally". The council meeting which ended Mr Latham's rule was interrupted by Mr Hurlstone from the public gallery, and erupted into noisy challenges on all sides as members hurled abuse.

An unlikely alliance of 12 Conservatives, 17 Residents,



Terry and Caroline Hurlstone. He is suing for divorce

four Socialists voted to oust Mr Latham and formed a 'Rainbow" coalition under the Residents' leader, Louise Sinclair. Mr Latham's "autocratic,

grandiose style helped us to topple him," Mrs Sindair said yesterday. "His lifestyle and personal relationships steered people away from him." Mike Davis, one of the four

Labour members who walked out on Mr Latham to set up the Socialist group on the council at the end of March, said: "Policy was being formulated between the two group leaders over cosy lunches and then pushed through without any consultation with the Labour members."

After the 1994 elections. Mr Lathani needed support from the Liberal-Democrats to ensure his 31-strong Labour group had a majority. He said yesterday this meant he had to have a very close working relationship with Mrs Hurlstone.

She has said that she now believes that "the way forward for a progressive, anti-Tory politician is within the Labour

Mrs Huristone's close links with Mr Latham began last October after her daughter was murdered at the Devon farm where she worked, and Mr Latham gave her support and comfort at a difficult time. Mr Latham said yesterday

that the real reason for his defeat was wide opposition to his plans to set up information centres round the borough and create a new style of local government

Another Liberal Democrat councillor, David Parker-Ross, deserted to the Tories three weeks ago, complaining that Mrs Hurlstone spent more time with Mr Latham than with her own group.

Charles Harrison, the new Liberal Democrat leader, said he hoped the Rainbow coalirion would restore calm. "If somebody wrote a book about what has happened, readers

would think it was too far

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

the perfect way to round off a pleasant evening for David ives and his partially sighted friend Paul Hester. They ordered a beer and studied the menu but because the lighting was so subdued Mr Hester six-year sentence.

What happened next resembled Fawley Towers but became more serious. Bosmath Sheffi, for the prosecution, told Luton Crown Court, "A waiter asked for their order but when told they were not ready he poured their drinks away and ordered them to leave." Miss £400,000 from a great uncle.

"Mr Ives tried to explain but Newall's release from to no avail. The waiter was joined by other staff and Mr lves was attacked with a baseball bat. He was sur-rounded by people and beaten on his back, head and arm as he tried to protect himself. Then he was bundled out

of the door and his arm was trapped as someone tried to close it." Miss Sheffi said. Mr Hester, who is registered blind, was restrained from helping his friend. Yesterday Foyzul Islam, 30, the owner of the Dhaka

Tandoori and his brother. Sirajul Islam, 33, the chef, admitted affray in August last year. They were both given a 12-month conditional discharge. Judge Gareth Davies, who awarded Mr Ives £2,000 compensation and Mr Hester E500, said: "No doubt you have troublesome customers but this was an unprovoked attack on innocent people."

Brother freed to inherit fortune

helping his brother to cover up the murder of their wealthy parents, has been freed from prison only 21 months into a

Newall, 29, a former Eurobond dealer who earned £150,000 a year, will now inherit his share of his parents' fortune, which as a result of investment is understood to be worth several million pounds. The brothers had shared the £500,000 left to them by their parents plus

Leyhill open prison in Gloucestershire was denounced by a senior police officer who spent two years on the invesogation into the mur-ders of Nicholas and Elizabeth Newall in Jersey in 1987. The couple were bludgeoned to death by Roderick, their other



Newall: helped to hide his parents' bodies

MARK NEWALL, jailed for son, who is serving a life

sentence for murder. Mark admitted destroying evidence and helping to bury his parents' bodies secretly. Graham Nimmo, a former

detective inspector now retired from the States of Jersey Police, said yesterday that Mark Newall had cost the island and its authorioes a tremendous amount of money. The investigation took longer than the time he served because of an elaborate and protracted cover-up in which he initially told "lie after lie". Mr Nimmo added: "It's a bit

galling that he's out and can

do wbat he likes. I would have liked to see him serve at least four to four-and-a-half years." Newall's eligibility for release earlier this month was made under the 1991 Criminal Justice Act, which operates in England and Wales but not Jersey. Anyone given a sentence of four years and over is eligible for parole after serving half their sentence. He became eligible in March because he had been in custody since being arrested three

years earlier. If he had remained in Jersey he would have been eligible for release in March next year. Jersey does not operate a parole system but well-behaved prisoners are normally released after serving two thirds of their sentence.

Roderick Newall, a former Army officer, is serving his sentence in Jersey.



Castle rises anew — on time and within cost

BY ALAN HAMILTON

THE largest historic building restora-tion project this century, at Windsor Castle, is entering its final phase and is expected to be completed on time and within its projected £40 million bud-get, officials of the Royal Household said yesterday.

More than a hundred rooms in the castle were damaged in a disastrous fire on November 20, 1992, delivering the final punishing blow to the Queen's annus horribilis. The largest occupied castle in the world is expected to be fully restored to its former glory by the spring of 1998.

Journalists were yesterday given a conducted tour of the affected areas, where an army of craftsmen, working in a dense forest of scaffolding, are recreating some of the grandest and most ornate interior design in Britain.

The work is six times the size of the project which restored the 17th-century wing of Hampton Court Palace after a similarly catastrophic fire in 1986. Michael Peat, the Queen's director of finance, reaffirmed yesterday that 70 per cent of restoration costs would be met from entrance fees to the castle and to Buckingham Palace, which had already contributed more than £11 million. The remaining 30 per cent

comes from public funding.

Most spectacular of the original works is a new oak hammerbeam roof for St George's Hall, the 150ft-long ceremonial chamber which previously had a low-pitched roof of plaster painted to look like wood designed by Jeffrey de Wyattville for George IV in 1830. It has taken 70 English oaks to furnish the timber.

Giles Downes, architect of the new

roof, said yesterday: "It is not a copy of what was bere before; it is an improvement. It maintains the Gothic spirit of the original, but is much more peaked and gives an extra two metres of headroom. Nothing like has been put up in Britain for a century."

Elsewbere, craftsmen in plaster are restoring the ceiling and walls of the Grand Reception Room, judged the finest rococo interior in Britain. Because the private chapel was destroyed, it has been redesigned as an unusual octagonal anteroom to St.

Accountant is charged over church funds theft

BY RUTH GLEDHILL AND STEPHEN FARRELL

A CHURCH accountant was charged yesterday in connection with the theft of nearly £240,000 donated by parishes to the London diocese. Dean Bailey, 33, will appear in court next month accused of falsify-

ing documents and deception.
Mr Bailey from Shoreditch, east London, was employed as an assistant accountant at the diocesan fund office in central London when the alleged frauds took place between the summer of 1990 and February

All the London's diocese's money is kept in the diocesan fund, which is worth £150 million. A large proportion is tied up in vicarages and other church property, but £18 million is held in trust for the diocese's 396 parishes.

New checks and balances were put into place by Chris Smith, the diocesan secretary, after he was appointed two years ago by Dr David Hope, who was then Bishop of London. These checks eventually led to discrepancies being uncovered by the diocese's auditors, Coopers & Lybrand. Mr Bailey was questioned by police and released on police bail. Yesterday, he returned to Belgravia police station for further questioning and was charged.

He was taken on as an assistant in the accounts department in April 1990, where he worked for his father-in-law, the Rev Ronald Vaughan, the former head of the department who now works as the Bishop of Stepney's projects officer. Mr Bailey's wife Rosemary also worked for the diocese, in the parsonages department, but left when she was expecting. They have a daughter aged two.

According to the Church Times, the diocese suffered smaller losses in the 1980s after a similar incident.

£50m for ex-wife 'would not be missed'

By JOANNA BALE

A SENIOR Court of Appeal judge questioned yesterday whether an American multimillionaire would miss a ESO million divorce payment.

As lawyers representing Robert Dart argued that his for "many, many tens of . millions" was unreasonable, Lady Justice Butler-Sloss said

polystyrene cartons.

Mrs Dart, 37, who lives in Lansing, Michigan, is challenging an award of £8.85 million made in the High Court after the couple divorced last

questioned whether Mr Justice Johnson, who made the to provide a top-up, when

that it "would not dent" his £489 million family fortune based on the manufacture of polystyrene carrons.

first award, should have been more generous. "The standard of living the parties enjoyed is a yardstick." she wery frippery and every conceivable luxury a person might want is met."

Mr Singleton said the original fortune of the parties of the

Barry Singleton, QC, representing Mr Dart, said: There must come a time when the wife is provided for. There Lady Justice Butler-Sloss requirements become unreasonable. It is not the court's job

nal award had already allowed for Mrs Dart to indulge in such luxuries as the occasional chartering of a plane, but he admined the ple had lived an aff lifestyle even in America, before moving to Britain. Judg-

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Holidays grabbed while they're hot

By Harvey Elliott TRAVEL CORRESPONDENT

A FAMILY set off for a Florida fly-drive holiday for £9 a head yesterday, as Britons demoostrated their determination to grab last-minute holidays to escape a wet and windy holiday

The family of three from Doncaster sponed the offer on Teletext from the Blackpool-based Liberty World Travel. Ian Warren, the general manager, said: Three people had to cancel at the last moment from a charter flight. They were covered by insurance which meanl they got their money back and we had been

But we were then able to offer their

still make a profit. We sold the holidays within 20 minutes of them appearing on the screen. There is so much capacity on the market at the moment that airlines are getting rid of their distressed stock at whatever price they can get."

The family have to pay for their accommodation, airport taxes and £69 damage-waiver car insurance.

Travel agencies around the country said that there has been a surge in demand, especially for Spain, the Ballearies and Greece. Temperatures as high as 30C (86F) in the past few days appear to have been the magnet. The Going Places chain said there had been a 20 per cent jump in bookings this week when it became apparent that May was to be one of the coldest and most seats at the extremely low price of £9 and miserable on record. Thomas Cook said

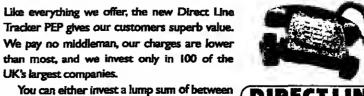
that holidaymakers were looking for instantly available bargains.

Britain's biggest travel retailer, Lunn Poly, said that a sharp fall in the number of package holidays on offer this year meant that many potential clients flooding into their travel shops were having to

be disappointed.

Heathrow Airport expects to handle about 339,000 people over the four days from today to Bank Holiday Monday. Gatwick expects 332,000, Manchester 204,000 and Birmingham 40,000. A further 350,000 people will cross the Channel by ferry, while 210,000 are expected to go through the Channel Tunnel by either Eurostar or Le Sbuttle

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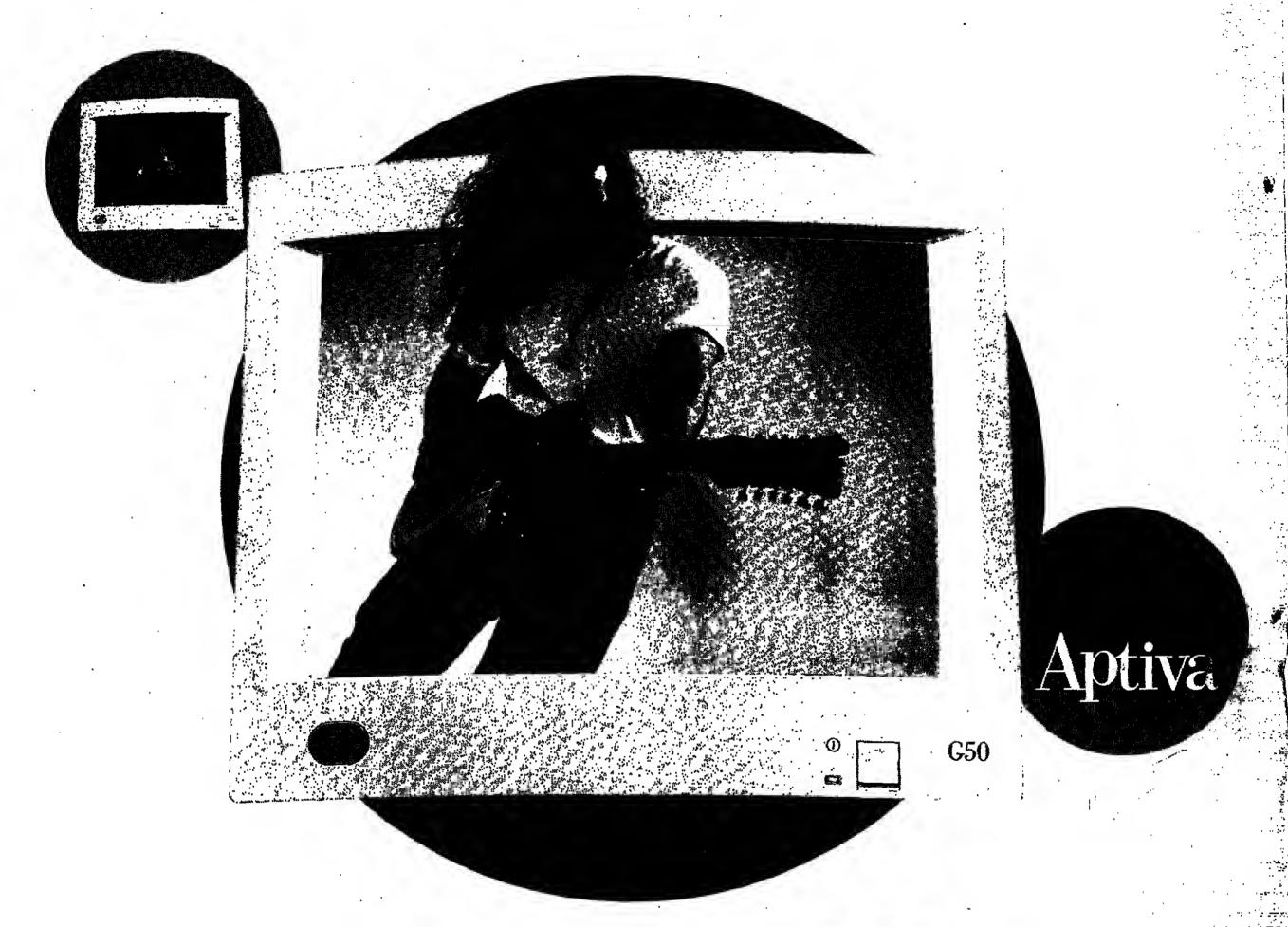
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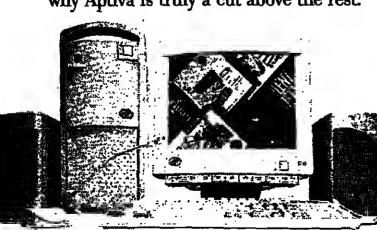
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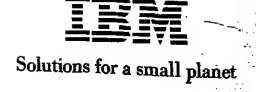
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New editor discarded executive 'like toffee paper'

THE Editor of the Sunday Express acted in an utterly irrational and whimsical fashion when she dismissed a highly regarded executive, an industrial tribunal chairman said yesterday. Graham Jones, 44, had told

the hearing that he was the victim of a callous, brutal cull of middle-aged men and that Sue Douglas, 39, had behaved like "King Herod in reverse not killing the babies but all men over 35". He had been "tossed aside like a toffee wrapper" within a fortnight of her arrival in January. Despite his role as assistant editor (news), he had been told to clear his desk and go straight home on the day of his dismissal. A replacement, 40year-old Richard Ellis, was in place an hour later.

Express Group Newspapers admitted acting improperly in the way Mr Jones was dismissed. However, his claim of sexual discrimination was dismissed by the tribunal at Croydon, south London,

lan Lamb, the tribunal chairman, had harsh words for Ms Douglas. He told her she had been "hiring and firing with complete disregard to the laws or good employ-ment practice". She had operated as if there was no restriction on her powers at all. "We do not think she paused long enough to assemble an agenda here except to consider who she wanted around her.

This dismissal had no rhyme or reason except the personal preference of Ms Douglas ... it was unterly irrational and whimsical. She considered that Mr Jones was just not a person she wanted to work with."

Mr Jones, an Oxford graduate who has also worked at The Daily Telegraph and its



Gareth Potter was charged £113 for an ambulance ride after being knocked down

Patient, 4, threatened with court bailiffs

A HOSPITAL summonsed a boy aged four for not paying a £113 ambulance bill after he was knocked down by a car. Gareth Potter of Pontefract, West Yorkshire, was at risk of having his toys confiscated after his mother ignored solic-

itors' letters, assuming there had been a mistake. The child, who had been taken to bospital after the accident last year, was due before Pontefract County Court next month. Yesterday the proceedings were thrown out when lawyers representing Pontefract General Infir-

mary realised the mistake.

His mother Veronica, 27, said that when a balliff's warrant for Gareth's possessions arrived, "my immediate reaction was to put his toys out so they would realise how stupid the whole episode was."

She telephoned the bailiff, who apologised and told her not to worry. She had thought the matter was forgotten when the summons arrived.

Yesterday the hospital apologised through its solicitors. "Hospitals are very busy and the odd mistake can be

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Teachers call for defiance on tests

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

A CAMPAIGN by head teachers to block the publication of the first primary school league tables was backed yesterday by the biggest school union. Governors are being urged to refuse to give the Government the results of tests on II-yearolds which finish this week.

Doug McAvoy, general sec-retary of the National Union of Teachers, has written to governing bodies throughout England, asking them to restrict access to the results to parents and teachers. He acknowledged that such action would be a breach of their statutory duty but says that legal action by the Govern-ment was unlikely.

The grades are to be turned into league tables next March. Mr McAvoy said: "If significant numbers of governing bodies decided not to return test results, what remedies would be open to them? Ministers would find it embarrassing to take action against the very people they are asking to make the system work." Governors are already

under pressure from the National Association of Head Teachers not to pass on the results. David Hart, the

criocised the National Association of Governors and Managers, which has rejected its appeals, saying it was "time it stopped behaving as if it was the Government's poodle".

Many governors were as angry as their teachers when Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secre-tary, changed her mind in February and decided that the results of the tests should be published next year in national performance tables. But Mrs Shephard said

yesterday that poor test results and alarming inspectors' reports left her no alternative. The public has a right to this information," she said. The National Governors' Council has asked Mrs Shephard to abandon league tables this

Companies are cashing in on the squeeze in school funding by providing so-called educational resources which are biased, covered with compaoy logos or which encourage children to eat chocolate and fast foods, the National Consumer Council said.

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NIGERIA yielded to diplomatic pressure from the Foreign Office yesterday and promised to release a British schoolboy held prisoner for a

John-Paul Mokulou, 13, was arrested in Lagos while visit-



John-Paul: held in Lagos while visiting relatives

ing relatives. Officials believe that he was being held hostage to force his father, a cousin of the former president of Nige-

al or "adequate compensa-

tion" - he received a cheque

for £31,875 but claimed female

staff who left the paper re-

"I would have been treated differently if I had been a

woman. I do not have any doubts about that," he said. "I

believe my sacking is part of an anti-male agenda. The

Sunday Express has now be-

come a paper which has oo time for middle-aged male-

Ms Douglas denied that she

had sacked Mr Jones because

of his age and gender. He had been sacked after a "phenome-

nal" decline in the paper's circulation. "It would never

occur to me to judge people by

their age or gender, f can only

judge them on merit, I am on

trial with this job too," she

The tribunal adjourned to

allow Express Newspapers,

which admitted unfair dis-

missal, and Mr Jones to agree a compensation package. He

declined to reveal after the

hearing whether he had found another job. "I think the

chairman's comments about

the nature of the dismissal

dominated values."

ceived 12 months' salary.

ria, to give himself up.
It is thought that John-Paul was arrested because he gave his name as Obasanjo. The Foreign Office was unable to clarify whether he was related to Major-General Olusegun Obasanjo, who ruled Nigeria from 1976 to 1979.

Christine Olukoya, the boy's mother, flew to Lagos on Wednesday to secure his release. The Foreign Office said: We have heard from the Nigerian authorities that the

boy will be released." Glenda Jackson, the Labour MP who highlighted the plight of the north London boy, said that the family had no reason to believe that John-Paul's father was "a dissident of any kind". She denounced the "outrageous behaviour" of the Nigerian authorities.



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Sales delayed for Wembley and Old Trafford games

Euro 96 tickets withheld in mix-up over rival fans

By John Goodbody and Richard Ford

TICKET sales for Euro 96 were in turmoil yesterday when about 1,000 Wembley seats destined for Dutch supporters were withheld because they were in areas reserved for

On another embarrassing day for the tournament, the organisers had to explain the problems to the Government, with Manchester United also unable to sell its full allocation of 28,100 tickets for four matches at Old Trafford because plans to segregate fans had not been completed.

Officials of the Football Association (FA) met Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, and Virginia Bottomley, the National Heritage Secretary, vesterday to reassure them that all tickets ordered by group purchasers were being scrutinised and "would be honoured only if it was safe do so after the necessary checks had been made"

The Dutch have already sold their official allocation of 8,100 seats for each of their three group games but thousands more fans are trying to buy black-market tickets for the matches. The withheld tickets were for the match against England on June 18. It is understand that none of the four English-based com-

panies offering the tickets at Wembley will be charged with any offence because they claim they were authorised to make bulk applications. The approval was allegedly given by Trevor Phillips, who reigned as commercial director

of the FA two weeks ago to save the governing body "em-barrassment". There is no suggestion that Mr Phillips profited from ticket sales.

Euro 96 organisers want to segregate supporters because of the potential for violence. The executives will release the 1,000 tickets for the England-Netherlands match only if the

four unnamed companies selling them can give the names and addresses in England of the purchasers. If not, the tickets will be offered for domestic sale. The organisers have also

withdrawn a further 1,000 tickets obtained by ten people, who were charged this week with touting offences. The remaining ticket agencies and corporate hospitality brokers, who were raided on April 30 by Scotland Yard detectives. will be allowed to keep their seats if the organisers are satisfied that there is no breach of security. Man-



Phillips, left, and Howard: worries over ticket

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chester United has delayed selling its remaining tickets for the championship while club officials and Euro 96 "finalised the segregation". On Tuesday, the six other clubs at whose grounds the three-week championship will be staged began selling about 170,000 seats direct to the public. Some 1.2 million tickets have so far been bought

through Euro 96.

Manchester United has complained that the FA has not given clear instructions on sales. A total of 28,100 tickets remain for Germany versus Czech Republic, Russia versus Germany, and also one quarter-final and one semi-final, when fans will be buying without knowing which teams they will see.

☐ The project co-ordinator of Synchro Systems, which is the official ticket agency for the Euro 96, has been found dead, five days after being sacked. Roderick Cornes fell to his death while climbing with a friend in Staffordshire. The police said that there was no suggestion that Mr Cornes had been distressed or upset before the climb or that he had contributed to his own death in any way.



Mike Harvey, right, on an earlier return to Colditz with Jack Best, left, Hugh Bruce, centre, and two other ex-PoWs

PoWs honour the ghost of Colditz

BY ROBIN YOUNG

A NAVAL officer who earned the nickname "the ghost of Colditz Castle" by masterminding escapes from an underground hiding-hole in the German fortress will be remembered by his fellow prisoners of war today.

Captain Mike Harvey, who died last week aged 82, and an RAF officer, Jack Best, used a England win, page 48 | double bluff. They hid inside

the jail near Leipzig in eastern Germany until the guards thought they had escaped and then emerged for roll calls to disguise the fact that other prisoners actually had got

Major Hugh Bruce, a former Royal Marinewho with Mr Best will be among six former Colditz inmates attending a special service of thanksgiving for Mr Harvey his home village of

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terday: The idea was that Mike and Jack would go into hiding in the castle and be missing from the regular roll calls. After a while the Germans were fooled into thinking that they had escaped. It meant we had two extra people and when anyone really did escape they could stand in for them.

Langham, Norfolk, said yes-

Mr Bruce added: "It was brilliantly simple and it bought extra time for those who managed to get away. The first 24 to 48 hours were vital to an escaper. You needed as much time as possible before the alarm was raised to reach the railway station be-

fore suspicions were aroused. "Mike had a bloody awful time doing it. He and Jack lived underground in a tiny hole beneath a stone step in one of the accommodation blocks.

The plan belped several prisoners to get away until. after 300 days underground,

Harvey and Best were themselves caught trying to escape. Their capture left the Germans with an embarrassing problem. "They could not charge them with escaping because they were already supposed to have got away and they were caught in the courtyard of the castle. The German mind being what it is, they charged them with being absent from 1,326 roll

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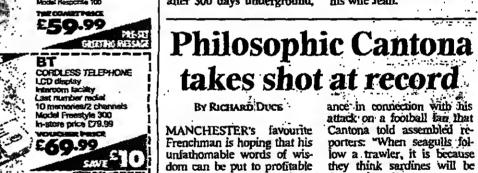
calls instead," Mr Bruce said. Mr Harvey, who had been captured in 1940 when his submarine HMS Undine was forced to the surface, served 28 days in solitary confinement and was eventually freed by the Americans in April 1945. He resumed his naval career, commanding HMS St Austell Bay, a frigate, and HMS Blackcap, a Royal Naval Air station, before leaving the service. He became managing director of a manufacturing company before retiring to Norfolk with

Philosophic Cantona

er is planning anything along the lines of Albatross, Fleetwood Mac's chart-topper of 30 years ago. More an experi-mental, avant-garde affair, savs Waterman, who admits Cantona is no Sinatra.

thrown into the sea." Waterman said yesterday: "Any man who can say that is a genius." He added: "I don't think you should be looking at it as a singing project. He isn't going to be singing My Way or No Regrets, like Piaf. We will be using Eric's poetry, his ideology and i see it as being very experimental."

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RADA wins £23m from lottery to rebuild academy

By Dalya Alberge and Bill Frost

THE Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) was awarded a grant of £22,750,000 yesterday from the Arts Council's lottery funds. It will go towards the £30,760,000 that the college needs to renovate and extend its dilapidated premises in Bloomsbury, central London

Many of RADA's illustrious former students, including Sir John Gielgud, Lord Attenborough and Imogen Stubbs. recalled how the school had been crying out for funds for as long as they could remember. Any money that was ever raised was always spent on tuition, rather than a building that had never recovered from

Lord Attenborough, RADA's chairman, said: "The academy was bombed in 1942 - in fact, when I was a student there. Because of the war and low government funding, we simply had to make do." The news of the lottery grant had made him "delirious". He added: "If you love the place as much as I have over the last 25 to 30 years, it's a fairy story come true.

Ms Stubbs recalled that there was so little space in which to rehearse that students were relegated to performing in "a black room with a few broken windows", or outside, in Russell Square. Walls were so thin, students felt self-conscious, knowing that their performances echoed throughout the school.

But, she added, the building exuded a unique charm when she thought of actors trained there - such as Albert Finney and Peter O'Toole.

Although Ms Stubbs felt "thrilled" at RADA's good fortune, she called for lottery cash to fund student grants. Every day she received begging letters. "It would be a huge loss if only posh people who could afford to go there." She also spoke of the need for equipment. When she was a

student, there was no Iraining for film or television because there was no money for cameras. RADA yesterday announced that the school would be re-equipped so that future generations of actors and actresses can learn to work with the technology of the 21st

century and beyond".
Sir John, a RADA student in



Barter: defended grant against "luvvy" charges

the early 1920s, said: "I'm so glad they have got out of their troubles. It's a very good school. I learnt a lot from being there.

Bryan Forbes, the actor and director, welcomed news of the grant but suggested that at least some of the money should go towards reducing fees, now about £7,000 a year. He also received letters every week from young hopefuls asking for financial support. "It is very sad. Rather than spending all the money on refurbishment RADA should think seriously about cutting

His own memories of

Duncan Weldon, director of of British theatre."

The producer Thelma Holt, who studied at RADA in the mid-1950s, remembered how in the summer, it was either a sauna bath or you couldn't hear anything because there was no way of cutting out the noise from the street". When she talked to today's students, nothing had changed. "You can't work in the theatre and

not go to RADA,"
Nicholas Barter, the Princiwas a windfall for "luvvy" southerners. The academy was for people of all classes

"We're drawing people in from all over the country - we hold auditions in Manchester, Nottingham, Newcastle and Belfast. We're drawing new blood into the theatre and we're looking for people from homes across the social spectrum. The L22,750,000 grant is still

dwarfed by the £55 million

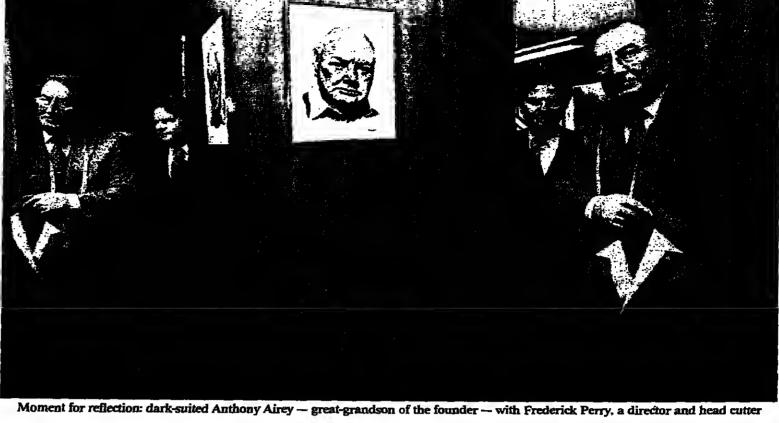
RADA were mixed. "Quite frankly it was a bit of joke when I was there in 1942. More importance was at-lached to morning prayers than drama. I was one of only 13 men and there were 200 girls, so I had rather a good time. But, as for my dramatic education, that came later," he Among other leading actors

who welcomed the news was Jeremy Irons, a Bristol Old Vic graduate who has just returned from filming Lolita. 'Any money that goes towards the training of actors is good,"

the Chichester Festival Theatre, said: "It is good news to hear that lottery money is going towards securing the future of a drama school which then secures the future

pal of RADA, defended the grant against the charge that it and backgrounds, he said.

given last year to fund part of the renovation of the Royal Opera House in Covent



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Tropical tailors face the unkindest cut

THE sun is setting on a name that helped the British to keep their cool in the hottest international affairs. In days of empire, the reason why

Englishmen could manage to join mad dogs in the midday sun was probably because they were all wear-ing natty, tropical safari suits from Airey & Wheeler. But not for much

After 113 years, a closure date of June 29 has been set for the gents' outfitter in Piccadilly, Loodon, which ran up lightweight suits for Winston Chorchill when he visited Onassis's yacht in the 1960s, which has kitted out a fleet of foreign secretaries, clothed colonial administrators who detest a siesta, and which is almost the official uniform-supplier to the Foreign Office.

"We went into administration in January," said Anthony Airey, whose great-grandfather James was the shop's founder. "The recession had

finally got to us.
"I don't think the market for these clothes has gone. It's just that money has been very tight in the last few years. And we were particularly



affected by the Gulf War. That cut down a lot of travel to that area, A lot of our customers are men buying tropical clothes with their company allowances, and when the recession came, that was one of the ways those companies saved money."

The shop's business managed to grow even as the British Empire was in decline after the war, he added. "Air travel increased through the 1950s, boosting the demand for lightweight suits from businessmen, who were travelling more, and further. And, of course, foreign holidays were

becoming more widespread,"
Airey & Wheeler's success grew from suit fabric weighing about 702 a



Customers: the Duke of York, Lord Tonypandy and Lord Owen

suiting. This helped to ensure, as Noel Coward put it, "that though the English are effete, they're quite impervious to heat".

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per cent off. "A lot of Foreign Office people come here," says Mr Airey. "They were quite horrified when they heard we were closing down.

When he was foreign secretary, John Major came to buy suits from us. The Duke of York came to us in 1979. And Prince Edward just walked in off the street. Alan Whicker has been here. We made Nigel Lawson some clothes a few years ago, and Lord Tonypandy. There have been several foreign secretaries here over the years. David Owen still comes in occasionally."

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Army veteran tried to murder gay man in 'revenge attack'

By Richard Duce

A FORMER soldier developed such a hatred of homosexuals after he was raped by a colleague while serving in the Army that he tried to murder a man who picked him up in a bar, the Old Bailey was told

George Rees was jailed for life with a recommendation that he serve at least ten years before parole was considered. Rees, who left The Blues and Royals cavalry regiment over 20 years ago claiming he was frequently bullied and abused, admitted the attempted murder of Tony Grundy.

He told police he also want-ed to kill Michael Cashman, the actor who has campaigned for the Armed Forces to end its ban on homosexuals, and claimed to have kicked to death a gay man in Amster-dam, although this was never

Peter Kyte, for the prosecu-tion, said that Rees, 39, had met Mr Grundy in a bar one Sunday last October and was invited back to his home at the Barbican in London. Once there, he turned on his middleaged host, forcing him to undress, then tied him up and stabbed him three times in the

Rees had told his victim: "You are bleeding to death,

You won't die yet - you have 20 minutes. Your only chance is to give me cash.

Mr Kyte said that having forced Mr Grundy to reveal his bank pin number, Rees fled with his gold watch, his wallet, credit cards and apartment keys. Mr Grundy man-aged to stagger for help, having lost four pints of blood.

Rees, formerly from Moss Side, Manchester, who was on the run from prison where he was serving six years for robbery, was arrested several weeks later in Windsor and confessed his crime. He told police he had been aiming for Mr Grundy's heart and was amazed he had survived.

"I just snapped. I was absolutely raging. In my heart of hearts I had done something which I knew had been coming for a long, long time.

"After the stabbing I felt a great sense of relief. He

epitomised everything I had gone through 20 years ago." He claimed he was prepared to kill as many gay men as possible, adding: "They will never be safe from me."

Sandra Stanfield, for Rees, said: "He recognises he is a danger to society, a danger to a certain part of the popula-rion." Had Rees not confessed his crime, "perhaps the court here would be dealing with a

serial murderer." Judge Hawkins told Rees: "It is obvious that you are a very dangerous man. The fact that you are extremely dangerous to the public should be remembered many years hence by those who have responsibility for your future."

As he was led from the dock,

Rees turned to the judge, smiled and said: "Perhaps I will be out in time for Manchester City to come back to the Premier League. Thank you. Have a nice day." Rees, who joined the Army

in 1973 and left in 1975, spent 20 weeks in detention and 12 weeks absent without leave. An MoD spokesman said he was regarded as "highly maladjusted". He had made no allegations about homosexuality. which would have been investigated. After learning of Rees's feel-

ings Mr Cashman, the former EastEnders actor who is head of the gay rights group Stone-wall, said: "I have had an occasional brick through my window and the occasional threat, but the fact that somebody might be out to murder you makes you wonder what sort of world it is where people are so twisted against lesbians and gay men."

Challenge changes stripes into a star ride

CHALLENGED that he could not tame a zebra, Gary Witherford, a stables owner, has broken a three-year-old stallion and claimed that within three hours it was able

Yesterday Mr Witherford, 36, of Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, said: "Given the right approach anything can be trained and tamed — now I'm going to try to ride a giraffe." He has worked with horses

since the age of 12 and has always been fascinated by exotic wildlife. So when Chipperfield's Circus offered him the chance to train a wild zebra he agreed immediately. However, Mr Witherford, who is 6ft and weighs 13 stone, was too heavy to ride Mombassa and had to hand over the reins to Nicky Da-vies, 5ft. "I would have loved to have ridden him myself," Mr Witherford said, "but I'm far too tall and heavy. But I have achieved a lifelong ambition by getting someone else to ride a zebra.

"Mombassa was surprisingly easy to train and it only took me three hours to actually get someone to ride him. The secret to training any wild animal is eye contact and body language.

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Teenage demands for sex 'lead to abuse'

HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

NCREASING numbers of young people are being coerced into sexual activity, doctors say. An era of sexual licence is encouraging behaviour that crosses the boundary to instances of abuse, with teenagers submitting to sexual activity only to avoid rejection or to conform to social

A survey of 1.100 adolescents aged 13 to 17 found one in three girls and one in ten boys said they had been subjected to a sexual experience without their consent ranging from indecent exposure to inter-course. One in 20 girls and one in 100 boys said they had had forced sexual intercourse.

A third of those reporting such an experience said it had occurred with another teenager aged under 18. Among the girls, three quarters of unwanted sexual experiences involving physical contact were with men under 35.

The findings from the sur-vey, carried out in Geneva. conform with those from other countries. In Britain, a study of adulis last year by the NSPCC found that a quarter of women and one in ten men said they had been subjected to "sexual interference" as adolescents and in 30 per cent of cases the abuser was under 16.

Writing in the British Medi-cal Journal, Dr Daniel Halperin, a specialist at L'Hòpital des Enfants. Geneva, who carried out the study, said that teenagers as well as adults perpetrated child sex abuse. The study "suggests that for a sizeable minority of adolescents there is a rougher, possibly even traumatic side to sexual exploration". Further study of the "complex dating and sexual behaviour" of adolescents was needed.

Speaking yesterday, Dr Halperin said that comments by the girls in the survey "suggest that what one partner sees as seductive behaviour may be seen by the other as breaching the limits of seductivity. Young males believe that love and romance might allow them to be more than persuasive and indulge in a rougher kind of sexual activity. The girl may not be able to resist because she wants to preserve the relationship or to conform to social pressures.

Television and magazines indirectly encourage teenagers to perform all kinds of sexual acts which are presented as common, but very little is said about the right to refuse."

Michelle Elliott, of Kidscape, a charity that seeks to prevent child abuse through educating teachers and parents, said the findings accorded with experience in Britain.

Mother's rapist stalked second woman

By PAUL WILKINSON

A RAPIST who attacked a mother in front of her two children in a country lane is thought to have stalked another woman minutes earlier. Police revealed details yesterday as they issued a composite picture of the wanted man.

Detective Chief Inspector Tony Porter, who is leading the search, said that shortly before the attack a woman in her forties had got off a bus at the end of the lane near Buckton Vale in Tameside, Greater Manchester.

"She became aware she was being followed and doubled back," he said. "She had a very good look at the man, who had a very similar description to the rapist."

The victim, aged 28, was attacked on Monday afternoon as she walked with her son, aged two, and six-monthold daughter. The rapist threatened her with a knife which had an eight-inch serrated blade.

The mother succumbed only when she thought he would



atack the children. She helped to compile yesterday's E-fit

The rapist is described as white, aged 20-25, 5ft 6in tall, slim, with short dark hair and bushy eyebrows. He wore a camel-coloured fleece zipped jacket, blue jeans and walking boots with yellow top trim. ☐ A man wanted in connec-

tion with two attacks on a teenage student was named by police yesterday as Yousuf Ali, 23. Detectives believe that he is obsessed with the girl, whom he once knew casually.

The 19-year-old victim was raped twice in six hours at her Eight days later she was beaten up at home and left unconscious.

Ali is described as 6ft tall, of Indian or Pakistani appearance, slim-built with short black hair, smartly dressed and well-spoken, and driving a black or dark blue VW Golf convertible. He is thought to live in North London, and

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Men with clubs caught on film near seal killings

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A PHOTOGRAPH of three men carrying clubs, taken shortly before grey seals were found battered to death on coastal rocks, was being studied by RSPCA officials

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Mother's rapist stalked

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The illegal killing of at least seven seals at the resort of Filey in east Yorkshire over the past month has enraged many local people. Suspicion has fallen on local fishermen. who often complain that seals take the salmon they rely on for a living.

Fishermen's organisations along the coast have declined to comment on the deaths. Several residents have tele-phoned the RSPCA with possible identities of the culprits. One provided the snapshot of

the three men. The RSPCA officer leading the investigation, Deputy Chief Inspector Geoff Edmond, said: "We will check



Two of the men pictured on the Yorkshire coast where the carcasses of grey seals were found

these tips out and examine the photograph very closely. At the moment I am gathering evidence and I hope soon to be

police for further action. The people responsible for this should know they are not just facing a fine of a few pounds. Under the new Wild Manunals (Protection) Act, which becomes law only lost which became law only last month, they could be fined up to £5,000 and jailed for six

able to present a file to the

The seal carcasses have been found on and around Filey Brigg, a rocky promon-tory that juts several hundred yards out to sea from the resort's extensive beaches. Several had been bludgeoned to death, one had been slit open along its stomach and another ripped with a fisherman's gaff, a large hook on a long pole used for landing big

what the new law was introduced to prevent," Mr Edmond said. "Whatever the rights and wrongs of seals taking fish, this is no way for any animal to die. It is sickening what has been done Marie Sweeting yesterday above Filey Brigg, where she had been walking before alerting wildlife officials

of killing. "My immediate concern is to ensure no more killings take place. The Brigg is a popular place for seals to take a rest

to them. The Act specifically ing fish to seals, but this is not in the police and the RSPCA. says these are unlawful ways a normal occurrence. Clearly someone somewhere does not like seals."

> woman out walking with her teenage daughter on the

The alarm was raised by a

its head battered in. Mrs Sweeting said that she saw three men with bart and heavy sticks. "One of them said words to the effect that

She took her daughter away

Simon Foster of the centre has seen five dead animals. He said: "I have seen some severe injuries inflicted on

they were going to 'see to' the animals by the sea, but in all my years in working with seals I have never seen anything like this. It was

Film star is likely to make perfect recovery

By A STAFF REPORTER

FAMILY and friends of the actor Timothy Spall said yesterday that they expected him to recover fully from his serious illness.

The television, film and

stage star is in hospital for what his agent, Peter Froggatt, called "extensive treatment". Mr Proggatt refused to con-firm a report that doctors had

diagnosed leukaemia.
"Tim and his family decided they did not want to go into details," he said. "Tim is fine and in good spirits, but he has been in hospital for a few days. We expect him to make a perfect recovery but we can't say how long it will take."

The statement issued by the family said that they appreciated the public's interest but wanted his privacy to be respected. It added: "Peace and quiet is essential for his well being."

Spall's brother Richard, who runs a pub in Guildford, Surrey, said: "This is a family thing."

thing. There is no reason for the public to know any more."

The actor's iliness was made public this week when he failed to attend the Cannes Film Festival, where the Mike Leigh film Secrets and Lies, in which he has a leading role. won the Palme d'Or.

Spall, 39, is married with three children and lives in-Forest Hill, south London. He specialises in playing ordinary characters and first found fame as boring Barry from Birmingham, a builder in Auf Wiedersehen Pet, He also starred in Frank Stubbs Promotes and Outside Edge.



Spall: did not attend Cannes Film Festival

but it is also easy for the killers Brigg. Marie Sweeting, 45, told wildlife experts at the Sea immediately but when her I know fishermen are alfriend Damon Taylor visited ways complaining about losin Scarborough, which called

Daily drug offers lucky break for victims of fragile bones The bent old woman, stick in hand, who taps her way along the pavement is all too likely to have been the petite student that 50 years earlier enthralled her contemporaries with her appearance and prowess on the games field

and dance floor. Post-menopausal osteoporosis can reduce the nimblest gymnast to incapacity in later life. Women athletes, because of the hormonal upset those sporting activities produce, are particularly liable to suffer badly from osteoporosis. Fragility of the bones plagues most older women after their oestrogen suplies have failed at the meno but usually it starts at a later age.

convenience that makes it difficult for older women to reach the upper kitchen shelves or gives them a disabling chronic backache. It is also a killer, because a fragile bone is liable to fracture. A broken hip not only means a long period in hospital but all too often leads to lethal complications. In one recent survey a fifth of women who had bad a fractured hip died within a year.

Rheumatologists, orthopaedic surgeons and experts from a host of allied specialties gathered in Amsterdam this week for a meeting of the World Congress on Osteoporosis. One of the papers delivered was



for several years. Hormone replacement therapy (HRT) is a standard way of preventing osteoporosis; it has the advantage of reducing the incidence of heart disease and possibly strokes, as well as loss of bone density and fragility, but the disadvantage of increasing the likelihood of breast cancer. Fortunately the proportion

women who will develop breast

HRT have to be weighed against irritability and irrational behaviour which it induces in this minority of women every month.

Fosamax is an alternative to HRT. Regrettably it does not have a beneficial effect on heart disease or strokes or preserve a youthful genitalia, but it does not increase the chance of breast cancer or cause hence there is no PMT. It has only been used for a comparatively few years but apart from the occasional case of indigestion does not seem to cause serious side-effects.

It may prove to be of an immense advantage to those women who are either reluctant to take HRT or for whom it is not recommended because of a family history of breast disease or ovarian cancer.

n important aspect of the research reported in Amsterdam was that an American trial in which Fosamax was given to more than 2,000 women between 55 and 80 showed that it had a dramatic effect on the fracture rate. Women taking Fosamax had a 46 spinal fractures, a 51 per cent lower risk of a hip fracture and a 44 per

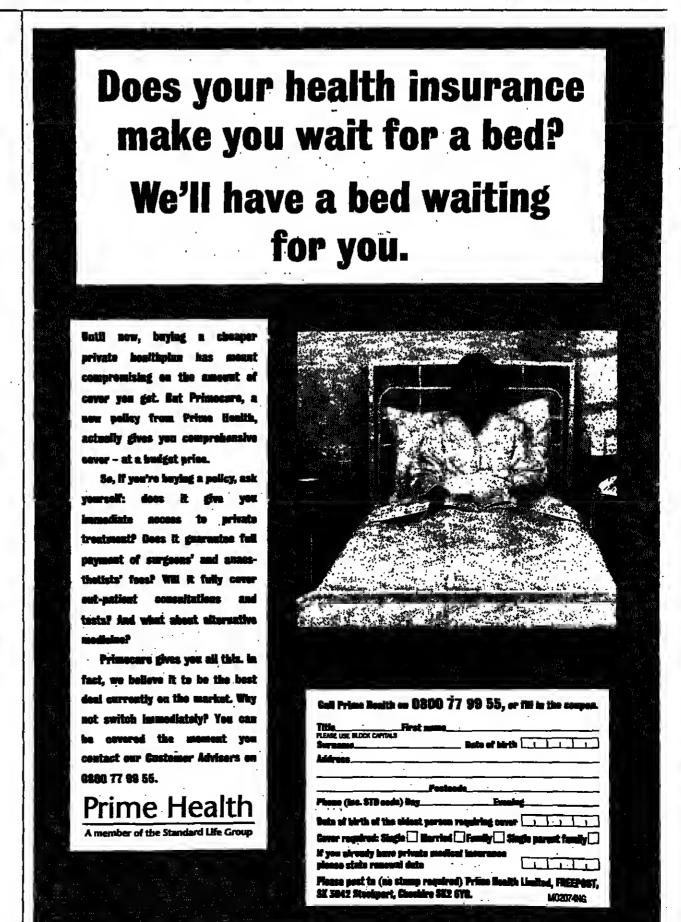
cent reduction in wrist fractures. In addition the women lost height at half the rate of their contemporaries.

As at least a third of European women will develop a fracture after the menopause that can be attributed to osteoporosis, time may well show that Fosamax becomes a drug that is considered for use in all those cases for those women who are unable to have HRT.

Trials are now under way to study its effect in men, so that in a few years the spectacle of the once athletic rowing giant who shrivels to the size of a jockey may pass into

> DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD





Water chiefs urge gardeners to buy plants of the Med

GARDENERS on the South Coast have been warned to concentrate on plants more suited to semi-arid Mediterrathrive in dry soil. nean climes.

More than 200,000 householders who from yesterday face an indefinite ban on the use of water sprinklers have been sent a booklet ominously illustrated by a giant cactus. It tells them they are in the middle of the worst drought in living memory and advises them to concentrate on growing plants that flourish in dry

conditions While the area affected, which includes Brighton. Hove, Shoreham, Lewes, Worthing, Littlehampton and Arundel, is not yet in danger of being turned into a dust bowl, there are already signs of dry, parched grass.

Southern Water says the shortage of rain has made the situation far more critical even than in the seemingly endless summer of 1976.

The area was hooing for twice the average rainfall of 6.3in for March. April and May but only 2.6in fell from a grudging sky. In addition, some of the huge underground aquifers from which Sussex obtains its supplies were, at the beginning of the year, nearly 46ft below their normal level.

Gardeners have been told to change their ways because of the huge amounts of water their sprinklers can use while they enjoy an evening gin and tonic. In just one hour, a sprinkler, regarded in any event as an indiscriminate aid, can spray 300 gallons, as much as a family of four would expect to use in two

days.
To help gardeners to cope their prized flower beds wilt by the television gardening expert Richard Jackson, says cheerfully that certain plants

It adds: "Don't forget that most herbs come from Mediterranean countries and positively flourish in hot, dry summers. What's more, in conditions like this, they tend

Gardeners who once took pride in the rich, lovingly prepared soil between flowers are advised to cover the gaps



Shape of 1996: booklet from Southern Water

by introducing ground-cover plants to shade the soil and prevent the loss of moisture. Once memorably described as the harassed gardener's secret weapon, they're the most cost-effective and certainly the prettiest way of filling any gaps between plants."

The hot southern sun, the booklet implies, sucks up moisture in much the same way as an alcoholic downs cans of extra-strength lager. Garderners are told that washing-up water and bathwater are precious commodities that they can slosh with

confidence onto their lawns

and die, a free booklet, written and established plants. Waste water must not, however, be used on vegetables and plants

in containers Other tips include the regular hocing of weed seedlings to prevent them from stealing water, setting up windbreaks to prevent loss of moisture. installing water butts and using organic matter as a mulch to keep soil moisture retentive and to prevent

evaporation. The booklet lists a number of plants worth planting that are likely to flourish in dry conditions. Suggestions for shrubs in dry sunny positions include the yucca, sage and lavender. Hardy perennials for dry shade include Alchemilla (lady's mantle) and

Ajuga (bugles) while recom-mended hardy perennials for sunny spots include poppies Helianthemum (rock rose) and pinks. Useful ground-cover plants include hardy garden geraniums, Lamium, Sedum, catmint, Pulmanaria and periwinkles.

Stuart Derwent, water services managing director, said: The restriction is necessary to safeguard supplies in the home. By preventing their use we hope to avoid more serious shortages later. We don't like these bans any more than the next person but we do have a legal duty to give priority to drinking water.

Visitors to the area should not despair that the beautiful municipal gardens of Brighton and other resorts will be turned into cacti beds.

Local authorities use water that is not fit for human consumption, so while all around cacti may bloom and herbs thrive on dry soil. council-owned gardens, at least, will forever remain a traditional and verdant part of

Sooty goes hand in glove with Japanese for £1.4m

By Adrian Lee

JAPANESE investors have decided to bank on a bear market by spending £1.4 million to acquire the worldwide rights to Sooty. They hope to transform him into an international star.

The original glove puppet cost 36p when his first owner, Harry Corbett, bought him in a toy shop 44 years ago. His son Matthew has sold the rights after his own children said they had no intention of continuing the family tradition.

Fans of Sooty were assured yesterday that hopes of super-stardom will not go to his head. A spokesman for the new owners, the merchant bank Guinness Mahon, a subsidiary of the Bank of Yokohama, said: "We are not going to put Sooty in Raybans or anything like that."

One important issue is whether the puppet - who has previously spoken in inaudible whispers - should be given a voice.

The deal also involves Sooty's friends Sweep the dog, Soo the panda, cousin Corbett, who will continue to work with the bear until 1998, advising his new owners. Sooty's future is likely to include a new television series, merchandising, cartoons and endorsements.

His new owners bave already achieved rewards from investing in Thomas the Tank Engine, Simon Turner, of Guinness Mahon, said: The Japanese went crazy for Thomas,

"Sooty already has a very loyal following but has the potential to be developed much further. He has crossgenerational appeal. But be are not going to change him



too much." American trends are towards traditional characters and away from fighting robots, Mr Turner said.

The puppet already generates a revenue of £1 million a year, of which £300,000 is profit. Matthew Corbett became his puppetmaster in 1977 and bad hoped to hand control to one of his own children. They had other aspirations. Ben, 24, is in a rock band: Tamsin, 22, hopes to become a teacher and Joe, Mr Corbett said: "It's time for

Sooty to stand on his own two feet. The plan is to use my 50th birthday in two years' time as

a springboard to shoot Sooty to stardom. My wife Sally and I are delighted with the The deal consists of

£1.1 million to buy the rights and £300,000 to market the character. Mr Corbett said he did not have the funds to develop the bear's potential himself, and Guinness Mahon had said Sooty would

puppeteer said: "We are very anxious that he does not become a one-year wonder like the Ninja Turtles.

The choice was to sell Sooty or simply stop, I am thrilled because I was worried no one would want to buy him. In the end I had several choices."

He had no regrets that his children would not take over. Sooty is so big. I would not wish him on any individual. My father would be proud as punch because I am doing with my life what I want to."



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Cuddly friends in peril from peers

THE lunchtime calm of the tumn. She was angry that requests to mark the centenayesterday when Labour peers launched an unprecedented attack on five defenceless creatures (James Landale writes).

Luminaries such as Baroness Castle of Blackburn, the former Cabinet Minister, and Lord Dubs paused from their regular scrutiny of Government and unleashed a torrent of political invective against Muffin the Mule Sooty, Stingray, the Clangers and Dangermouse.

Lady Castle was protesting at the decision by the Royal Mail to celebrate 50 years of children's television by displaying the characters on a special stamp issue this au-

ry of the death of William Morris, the Victorian poet, designer and socialist, with a similar stamp Issue had been ignored.

Lady Castle demanded that Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, the Trade Minister, called the Royal Mail to account and reversed this "absurd" preference. "Do not you agree with me in deploring this philistine decision?" she asked.

Lord Fraser replied that he understood the choice was made to encourage children to become interested in stamp collecting. "That is entirely a commercial decision for the Post Office," he said.

Vegetarians have pick of the crop

By ROBIN YOUNG

stores distributing easy-to-follow vegetarian recipes. The Vegetarian Society has been handling thousands of inquiries every day since the BSE alert began, and the vegetari-an market is now worth well over £400 million a year. All the supermarkets are promoting alternatives to meat, such Quorn

which is not, how-WEEKEND ever, accepted by the Vegetarian Society as vegetarinot free-range. Quorn burgers are nonetheless the country's

bestselling frozen non-meat Announced promotions

Asda: Quorn quarter pounders 99p for four, loose mushrooms 99p lb, beef stewing steak £3.38 kg, braising steak £3.58 kg, Galia melons 89p each, rose bouquets £2.99 for 10 stems.

Budgens: mixed salad and peppers 99p for 300g, potato salad 29p 4 lb, fresh chicken leg portions £2.29 kg. St lvel Shape yogurts £1.89 for 8 x 125g.

Co-op: grated low fat cheese £1.29 for 250g, fresh turkey breast steaks £3.29 for four. fresh whole medium chicken £3.79, grapefruit juice 95p ltr. Harrods: prawn delice £2.95 each, bean and mushroom salad 95p for 100g, Iceberg lettuces 49p each, Umbrian truffle cheese £31.95 kg. Iceland: southern fried chick-

THIS is National Vegetarian en £2.59 for 794g, mushroom week, and Asda is among the and garlic filled chicken £1.49 for two, crunchy fish sticks £1.49 for 24, cauliflower £1.79 for 1.8kg. baby carrots 69p for

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chocolates £6.99

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29p each, sweetcorn £1.15 for two, dwarf beans 99p for 250g. Tesco: sirloin steak £9.69 kg. medium Galia melons 99p each, iceberg lettuces 49p each, spinach 49p for 250g. Waitrose: lemon and pepper chicken E2.79 for 300g, avocado pears 29p each, Jersey new potatoes 49p lb, sweetcorn 99p for two, mixed salad £1.49 for 350g. Galia melons El.49 each.

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Lib Dems monitor Major's **EU ploy**

By ANDREW PLENCE

THE Liberal Democrats have set up a unit to monitor the effects of Britain's policy of non co-operation with Europe. A convention on insolvency proceedings, which speeds up payments to creditors of EU complanies that go bankrupt, will be the first target. British businesses are excluded from navouts because of the Government's refusal to sign up to

The Liberal Democrats will catalogue all cases shere British firms suffer. They will also analyse the effects of Britain's failure to sign up to any other European laws.

Charles Kennedy, the par-ty's spokesman on Europe, said the unit would monitor the negative effects of John Major's "schoolyard sabre-rattling" until co-operation was restored. The insolvency convention, first mooted in 1966, had the support of organisations such as the Con-

ederation of British Industry. "The benefit from the convention to British companies trading abroad would have been immense," he said. "It will prevent financial disaste for companies in other EU companies trading with each other. I hope John Major will question the wisdom of his campaign the next time a British company is plunged into turmoil due to the unpaid credit of a foreign company."

Let judges make punishment fit the crime, says Taylor

BY FRANCES GIBB AND RICHARD FORD

THE introduction of minimum sentencing proposed by the Government would subvert the function of the courts with grave consequences, the Lord Chief Justice said

yesterday.
Lord Taylor of Gosforth
condemned the statistics on which Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, had based his proposals. The shallow and untested figures in the White Paper do not describe fairly and clearly the problems the Government seeks to address — still less do they justify the radical solutions it proposes," he told peers.

Lord Taylor, who is retiring because of ill-health, delivered his parting blow at a specially arranged debate in the Lords. He marked out the lines of battle between the Home Secretary and the judiciary, which now looks certain to be joined when Mr Howard introduces a Bill this autumn.

But the strength of the opposition raises doubts over whether the Government will get its proposals through before the general election. Peer after peer lined up to support Lord Taylor, who denied his assault was prompted by any personal animosity towards the Home Secretary.

Paper, Protecting the Public, puts forward minimum sentences of three years for thirdtime burglars and seven years for third-time drug dealers along the lines of the American-style "three strikes and

But Lord Taylor said it amounted to a "jemsoning" by ministers of their own promise in another White Paper six years ago. Then they rejected a system of minimum or mandatory life sentences for certain offences.

you're out" model.

He attacked as a meaningless palliative the proposed "escape clause" introduced into the White Paper, which allowed judges to depart from the minimum sentences in genuinely exceptional cases". This would result in the "worst of both worlds".

What was an "exceptional case"? If judges construed it tightly, it would have little effect and become a dead letter. If they construed it broadly, they would be accused of "driving a coach and horses" through the provision and thwarting Parliament.

"More fundamentally, the proposal subverts the function of the court which is to sentence according to the justice of each individual case. not to see whether it can be

accommodated within a narrow exception and otherwise to take a sentence off the shelf." In an appeal to Mr Howard to think again, he said: "Judges need the ability to tailor the sentence to the offence - to make the punishment fit the crime."

Mr Howard and the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, who responded for the Government in the debate, defended the proposals. Mr Howard that the public need-ed more protection and that many persistent burglars felt that a short spell in prison was an "occupational hazard". They should be given "a stiff

minimum sentence". Lord Mackay said that the Government's case was a powerful one. The automatic life sentences were being brought for serious offences so that there would be some way of deciding when the offender was safe for release. At present they were let out automatically. But the proposal would ensure that the decision rested with the Parole Board, "We should not leave it to a judge at the time of sentence to decide, with no second thoughts, when it will be safe to release

this sort of offender." "real public concern" that a



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tiny minority of dangerous criminals could at present be released while still a danger to the public. But he said: "It is not possible to justify a wholesale changeover to a regime of mandatory sentences . . . simply by scaremongering about a very small number of offenders who could in any event be dealt with in another way." Lord Carr of Hadley, a

former Tory Home Secretary,

Howard was a minister.

think again. The proposals "overturn the principles and philosophies" of its own 1991 Criminal Justice Act, which were the policies not of another party but of a Tory overnment in which Mr

"I really do not think, that the Government can, on such a vital matter, go into reverse like that without explaining to Parliament and the public at large why were were so fundamentally wrong six years ago and why they are now so fundamentall right." Lord . Donaldson

Lymington, former Master of the Rolls, said Michael Howard had given a clear message to the public that judges were not to the trusted. That's what it amounts to. It is an unprecedented attitude for a government to take: and it is deplorable as. it

Lord Windlesham, a former Home Office minister and former chairman of the Parole Board, said that everyone could share the objectives of the White Paper. But he added: "I am bound to say that the essentially punitive strategy it sets out, in my view, is misconceived and is likely to prove counter-productive if it were to be enacted."

'Authoritarian' Blair angers Labour activists

By ALICE THOMSON, POLITICAL REPORTER

LABOUR activists have clashed with Touy Blair over "authoritarian leadership", which they believe is causing deep and irreversible splits in the party.

The disaffected supporters have formed a new opposition group and are prepared to cause havoc with new Labour unless Mr Blair returns to a more traditional, socialist, agenda. The group, Labour Reform, said: "Labour supporters outside Islington are feeling deeply miffed about the way things are going without their consultation."

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But yesterday Mr Blair made it clear there would be no compromising with party rebels. He insisted that a centralising policy was necessary for Labour to win the general election.

In an interview with the Evening Standard, be said: "People have been telling me ever since the change began in the Labour Party: You will never manage it, the party will fall apart, everyone will disagree'. It hasn't happened and it won't happen and nothing in recent days makes me think other than that."

Mr Blair denied that the party was beginning to fray round the edges. "Of course there will be those who resist change but people have resisted the changes that I have been making in the Labour Party over the past two years. In the end change will be driven by me, of course. But it will also be driven by the overwhelming view of the Labour Party that modernis-

ation is right. He warned the rebels that winning the election should be their first aim and added:
"If we are elected, the Labour
government will be an unhes-

itating new Labour government. That is without any doubt at all."

Labour Reform rejects the argument that they should not speak out for fear of jeopardising the party's elec-- tion prospects. More than 200 people have joined the group, mainly Labour councillors from London, Oxford, Birmingham, Stoke on Trent, Stafford, Sbeffield and Salford. They will start writing to all councillors next week and will hold a meeting next month.

The group complains that small groups of right-wing Labour radicals are "coustructing a populist, plebisci-tary model for the party in complete opposition to its

Andy Howell, a Birmingham councillor and chairman of Labour Reform, said that the party was in danger of losing touch with its roots. Many loyal supporters who had served the party for years were now refusing to take

part in fundraising. He said: "The Clause Four debate may be well and truly over, but there is still a serious dilemma over the future structure of the party. Mr Blair is almost single handedly fundamentally altering the character of Labour and he has totally lost touch with anyone outside the Metropolis."

Tim Pendry, the vice-chair-man, warned Mr Blair: "Our research, our membership, is telling us that we're representing a lot of people out there who're feeling very miffed with the way things are going. And they are deeply loyal to the party and to Mr Blair and he should bring us in to his world view. He should understand that, that loyalty, that love, is not unconditional."

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Spin-doctors 'are poisoning politics'

By Andrew Pierce, political correspondent

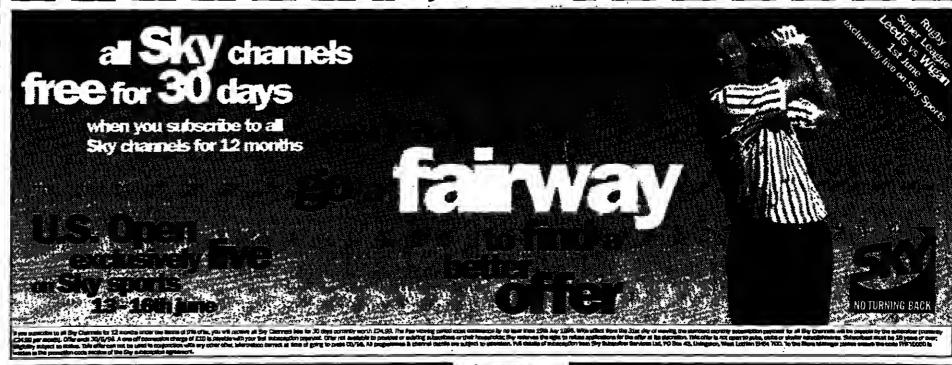
TONY BLAIR was warned by one of his former chief lieutenants yesterday that the turbulence in the Labour leadership had been caused by his own spin-doctors planting stories about Shadow Cabinet splits. Joy Johnson, who used to be

Labour's director of communicacions, launched a thinly disguised attack on Peter Mandelson, one of Mr Blair's most trusted confidents. Writing in New Statesman 8 Society. she said: "There are many causes for the decline in the esteem in which politicians are held but spin-doctors and their clients must take responsibility for obscuring the language of politics and for trivialising its content. They are slowly dripping poison into the body politic."

The article, the first since she left her Labour Party post in January, was seen at Westminster last night as her long-awaited revenge on Mr Mandelson, the MP for Hartlepool. Ms Johnson, a close ally of Gordon Brown, quit after being frozen out of key decisions by Mr Mandelson and Alastair Campbell, the leader's press secretary.

The Times revealed weeks ago that Mr Brown and Mr Mandelson had not been personal speaking terms for 18 months and that Mr Blair was so concerned about the impact on his election strategy that he was trying to broker a reconciliation.

Ms Johnson, a former BBC political news editor, who has returned to broadcasting. wrote that spin-doctors were the "bastard offspring of this lobby system where the unattributable briefing becomes fact", and that they should be "brought to heel".





Americans seize Chinese in arms smuggling 'sting'

EDOM MADTIN FIFTCHER IN WASHINGTON

FEDERAL agents arrested representatives of China's two main government arms companies in California yesterday after an 18-month "sting" operation and America's biggest seizure of smuggled automatic

Beginning on Wednesday night, nearly 100 federal agents fanned out across San Francisco to capture the Chinese dealers and their American associates and to charge them with smuggling into the United States 2,000 automatic AK47 rifles worth \$4 million (£2.65 million) on the black market. Jamie Gorelick, the Deputy Attorney-General, called the Chinese arms ring a very serious matter and seven men were due to appear in court last night.

The "sting" was led by the Bureau of Alcohol. Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), which duped the Chinese into believing they were selling weapons to American gangs. The Chinese apparently were also offering anti-aircraft missiles and explosives. They promised "all the weapons you could ever imagine", one federal source said.

The dealers worked for Poly Technologies and Norinco, two pillars of China's militaryties to the country's political and military leadership. The president of Poly Technologies was for several years He Ping, son-in-law of China's supreme leader, Deng Xiaoping.

It was not clear immediately whether the dealers were acting with Peking's approval or freelancing for personal profit, but one source noted that they were "people in a position to deliver substantial arms and are not lower-level flunkies". Either way the arrests were bound to exacerbate Sino-American tensions and complicate further President Clinton's efforts to win congressional approval for continuing China's preferential trading status.

The two countries are on the brink of a trade war over Chinese piracy of American music, films and software, and on Wednesday the Administration said that it had protested vigorously against Chinese attempts to buy lethal Russian missile technology that would enable it to threaten American cities.

"It is hard to know if it is worse that they are trying to buy nuclear weapons technology or sell guns on American streets." an exasperated State Department official said. "Either way they do not make it

any easier for us to stabilise the relationship.":

The "sting" began in 1994 when federal agents in San Francisco set out to discover how gangs obtained their illegal weapons; they were told the answer was Chinese arms suppliers. That December an ATF agent posing as a Miami arms smuggler was said to have been introduced to one of the arrested dealers. Hammond Ku. Two months later Mr Ku produced five automatic weapons to prove he could deliver on a promise of machineguns, rocket launchers and other weapons.

In January and February this year, the ATF wired nearly \$270,000 via Hong Kong to a Peking account as a down-payment. On March 18, a Chinese vessel steamed into Oakland harbour, where it unloaded 112 wooden crates containing the AK47s. The ATF tipped off US Customs, which let the crates through, and a few days later paid the balance.

The ATF had intended to continue the operation in order to lure more senior Chinese officials to America, but brought it to a premature close when the Los Angeles Times and The New York



A Type 42 destroyer, HMS Glasgow, sails past the Statue of Liberty and up the Hudson River yesterday for the start of New York's Fleet Week. Among Royal Navy ships accompanying her were the aircraft carrier HMS Illustrious and the frigate HMS Cumberland. British Harrier jump jets will give a public display tomorrow. Some crew members had different interests: "Women, pubs and clubs," said one

Netanyahu vows to send troops into West Bank

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

BINYAMIN NETANYAHU, rightwing challenger for the post of Israeli Prime Minister in Wednesday's election, made clear yesterday that if elected he would order Israeli security forces to re-enter Arab-run areas of the West Bank and Gaza Strip now policed

by armed Palestinian police.

The hardline pledge came in interviews with the Likud leader and the incumbent Labour Prime Minister. Shimon Peres, published to mark the Jewish holiday of Shavuot. It has

raised fresh fears that a Likud victory could spark fighting between Israeli troops and the Palestinian police, many of whom have pledged to resist attempts by the Israeli Army to return to autonomous areas evacuated under terms of the 1993 peace accord.

the end of the peace process as we know it." Shlomo Avineri, a respected former director-general of the Foreign Ministry, said when asked what a Netanyahu victory would bring. Questioned by the mass-circulation

"All hell will break loose. It means

Yediot Ahronot how he would live up to his campaign promise to improve

the security of Israelis, whose lives have been shattered by a series of Islamic suicide bombs, Mr Netanyahu said: Perhaps we do not have an absolute answer, perhaps we do not have the ability to seal hermetically the entrance of an individual terrorist, but we have the power to change the reality in which we live. Terror has succeeded in the last four years because the Government has provided it city sanctuaries, with the help of the

Palestinian Authority."

The paper then asked: "Will you go into Nablus [the largest Palestinian-controlled city in the West Bank] and

the Gaza Strip?" Mr Netanyahu, whose Cabinet would include such noted hawks as former generals Ariel Sharon and Rafael Eitan, replied:

In a contrasting interview, Mr Peres offered a different prospect to voters, at least 10 per cent of whom are still "undecided". Mr Peres said: "I have a doubt about whether a peace agreement can be reached with Syria without returning to them all of the Golan Heights. In any event, we have always said that we are prepared to make territorial compromises on the Golan Heights."



Rodents feel the wind of change FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS IN AMARILIA, TEXAS USING a vacoum truck to

USING a vacoum truck to suck prairie dogs from their holes, a pest control company is making a profitable round-up of the burrowing rodents which are prized as pets in Japan.

"These little guys are worlt: \$700 (£460) apiece," said Gay Balfout, a co-owner of the company Dog Gone and inventor of the special vacuum. Workers captured between

workers captured between three and four dozen prairie dogs yesterday using the vacuum, which noisily pulls the animals through a wide hose and into an enclosure. The vacuum pulls up lighter animals, leaving heavier adults

"We're just taking the young ones." said company co-owner Dave Honaker. "They make good pets — they're real trainable and social animals." The company



Prairie dog: sucked by vacuum from ground

has been capturing the squirrel-like rodents, which grow to about a foot long, for five years.

An exotic pet dealer who made a deal with an Amarillo landowner is marketing the prairie dogs, which are being sucked from a 320-acre tract near this Texas city.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Japanese cult sent 'disciples to test killer gas on town'

FROM ROBERT WHYMANT IN TOKYO AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

SHOKO ASAHARA, leader of the Aum Shinrikyo (Supreme Truth) cult, ordered disciples to mass produce deadly nerve gas and test its power in the streets of a town north of Tokyo in 1994, prosecutors alleged yesterday.

They said it was the start of a doomsday plot to wipe out untold numbers of innocent people. The prosecution described how obedient followers drove a lorry to the town of Matsumoto to release the sarin gas produced by scientists at the commune of the cuit. The objective of the attack was to kill judges staying at a courthouse dormitory in the town, who were due to rule against the sect in a property lawsuit, as well as to test the power of the gas.

The defendant planned an experiment to see the effect of sarin as a weapon of mass murder in densely populated urban centres," the prosecu-tion told the Tokyo District Court. Seven people were killed and 144 injured in the experiment in June 1994. They were the unwitting guinea pigs in a rehearsal for the March 1995 attack on the Tokyo subway, in which 11 people died and more than 4,000 were injured.

Mr Asahara faces murder charges for the June 1994 gassing. Last month he made

charges that he masterminded the Tokyo subway attack.

Yesterday the prosecutors also presented evidence that, at Mr Asahara's command, disciples built a sarin plant to produce 70 tonnes of the lethal Nazi-invented gas to wipe out the population of entire cities. They alleged that Mr Asahara also ordered the production of 1,000 automatic rifles and one million bullets in preparation for a bloody struggle to topple

the Japanese Government.

They said Mr Asahara, 41, ordered the arms programme after he and his followers unsuccessfully ran in parliamentary elections in 1990. After the election humiliation, he decided the public should be subjected to his wrath.

Mr Asahara listened to the charges without a flicker of emotion. He again rebuffed requests to enter a plea, as he had done when the trial opened last month. "I have nothing to say," he defiantly told the panel of judges that is hearing the case. Japan does not have jury trials.

Later he appeared to doze off as prosecutors read from a long statement detailing their case. One of his lawyers poked him from behind to rouse him.

The trial is expected to take vears to conclude and, if convicted on murder charges,

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Besides the two sets of murder charges, he faces 15 others ranging from ordering the execution of rebellious followers to illegal drug and weapons manufacturing.

Public interest in the trial, while waning somewhat, re-mained high. About 3,000 people lined up for a lottery for about 50 public seats.

In the courtroom yesterday

was Yoshiyuki Kono, 46, a resident of Matsumoto who had been falsely accused of the 1994 gassing. The prosecutors described how Mr Kono and his wife were watching television when his wife suddenly complained of feeling ill. On hearing a strange noise outside, he went out and found his two dogs in spasms and foaming at the mouth. When Mr Kono ran back indoors, his wife had collapsed. She is still in hospital, unable to move or speak.

Until his arrest, the revered Mr Asahara predicted that the world would come to an end next year, and only Aum Shinrikyo followers would escape annihilation.

Virtually all of the cult's top members — including Mr Asahara's wife — have been arrested for alleged crimes ranging from misdemeanours to helping to carry out the Tokyo subway murders.

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China next year were published yesterday (Jonathan Mir-Kong Club, stamps with the Queen's

line with action by several of the colony's institutions, though not the Royal Hong

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Navy task force will evacuate last of Hong Kong garrison

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

THREE warships from a Royal Navy task force due to deploy on a six-month tour of Australia and the Far East next year have been earmarked to divert to Hong Kong to evacuate the last elements of the British garrison before the handover to

A Ministry of Defence statement yesterday, which was cleared with the Chinese Government before it was released, said the ships would be "available" for the withdrawal from Hong Kong "on the transfer of sovereignty in June

Although the ministry has not yet decided which ships will be involved, it is expected that a destroyer or frigate with advanced communications equipment will command the evacuation programme, assisted by a landing ship such as the Royal Fleet Auxiliary vessels Sir Lancelot or Sir Tristram - and a second

support frigate. The with-

drawal programme and the handover ceremony are still being discussed with the Chinese Government. There is still no decision yet on whether the Royal Yacht Britannia will be sent on a last voyage before being decommissioned to ferry home Chris Patten, the Governor of Hong Kong.

Yesterday's statement from Nicholas Soames, the Armed Forces Minister, was the first time that the Government has disclosed any element of the planned withdrawal programme. Ministry of Defence sources said it was such a sensitive subject that even the general statement about warships being sent to Hong Kong

had to be discussed with The garrison on the British colony consists of about 1,400 army personnel. The resident battalion, the 1st Battalion Royal Gurkha Rifles, is due to be replaced by the 1st Battal-

ion Staffordshire Regiment in

November. The last regiment

to serve on the British colony, however, will be the Black Watch, which will be sent to Hong Kong in February. Other units still serving in

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the colony at the handover period will be the Queen's Gurkha Transport Squadron and 6/7 Gurkha Field Squadron Royal Engineers, a total of about 400 men. The Black Watch Regiment of 650 men and the two other units will be taken off the island on to the landing ship to be returned to

Army sources said the Black Watch soldiers would go unaccompanied by their families to make the withdrawal easier to

The three warships delegated to carry out the Hong Kong withdrawal will be part of Ocean Wave 97, codename for the deployment of a naval task force, led by the aircraft carrier, HMS Illustrious. The dozen ships involved will leave in January and will not return



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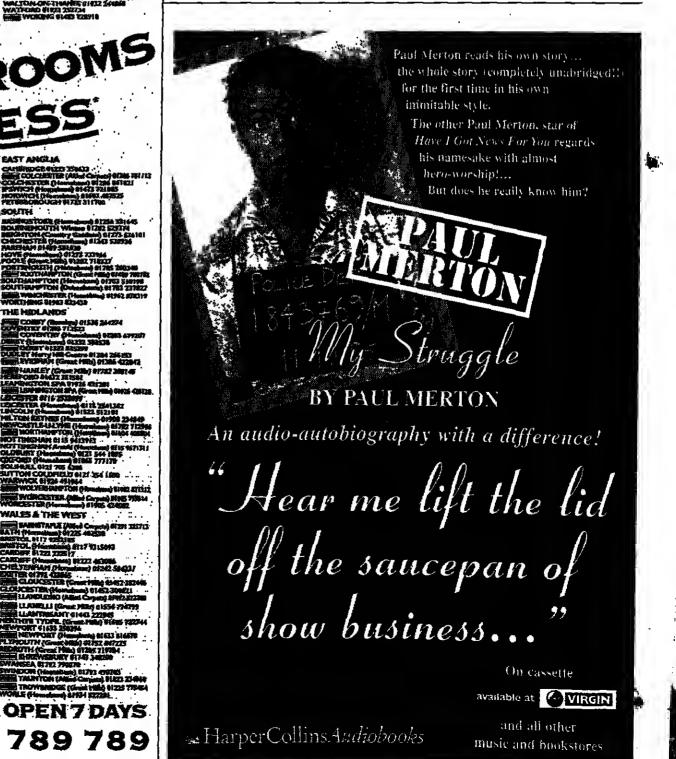
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Cyprus role for envoy

London: Sir David Han-

nay. Britain's former permanent representative to the United Nations, has been appointed a special representative for Cyprus (Michael Binyon writes). Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, in making the announcement, said the status quo on the island, divided between Greek and Turkish communities, was inherently unstable and a concerted peace effort was needed.

French strike hits Eurostar

Paris: The Eurostar train service between Paris and London was disrupted by striking rail workers demanding a shorter working week (Ben Macintyre writes). Several Eurostar trains were blocked from entering the Gare du Nord as rail workers occupied the lines, forcing passengers to make the final leg of the journey by Metro.

Saudis reject retaliation

Loodon: Saudi Arabia has agreed to put to one side its anger with Britain over Muhammad al-Masari, the dissident physicist (Michael Binyon writes). Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, said the Government had received assurances that the Riyadh regime would not discriminate against British firms.

Help sent to French troops

Paris: France has flown armoured vehicles and other heavy equipment on board chartered cargo planes to back up its troops fighting an anti-government rebellion in the Central African Republic. military sources said. An estimated 2,500 French people live in the former colony. (Reuser)

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Cuba traders face US ban

Miami: Washington is warning executives of for-eign firms trading with Cuba that they could soon lose the right to enter the US as the Cuban Liberty Act. passed in March, is enforced (David Adams writes). Benetton, the Italian clothing company, is on the blacklist.

Indian guns force Kashmir voters to the ballot box

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN BARAMULA

THE Kashmir Valley's first elections in seven years yesterday undermined India's promise of a free and fair poll. People were forced out of their homes by soldiers and ordered to vote, producing an artificially high turnout. Most polls in Kashmir have been manipulated; this was no different. Voters told the same story

from polling station to polling station where long queues formed, watched by large numbers of soldiers or paramilitary forces. Villagers said they were forced out of their homes at gunpoint and warned by troops that they were expected to vote. People went to polling stations to obtain an indelible inkmark on their finger so they could prove they had done so. India was determined to

achieve a substantial voter turnout as proof that Kashmiri Muslims wished to remain Indian, but instead it has raised tensions in the valley with another farcical election. Voters had a choice only of pro-India parties and were thus not cajoled into voting in any particular way: the 30 parties in the valley supporting secession from India boycotted the poll.

Most of the valley was shut down, save for the polling process, because of a strike ordered by militants demonstrating their continuing hold over the population despite losing much of their support because of involvement in rapes and extortion. There is little militant activity any more inside Kashmir because

of intense security operations. Baramula and Anantnag voted yesterday: Srinagar, capital of the valley, votes next week. The official turnout in Baramula was last night put at 35 per cent and in Ananthag at 43 per cent. In parliamentary polls in 1989 the figures were around 5 per cent, a measure of how great the forced voting was this time.

The sears are unimportant in the struggle to form a government in Delhi after an inconclusive general election. but they are a crucial test of popular opinion in a region that has caused two wars between India and Pakistan. The blatant harassment of voters will play into Pakistan's hands; it is a propaganda disaster for India.

In the town of Baramula about 1,000 people took to the streets chanting anti-election and anti-India slogans, a rare mass protest in a region saturated with security forces.

Kashmiris complain of being trapped between two sets of guns: those of the security forces and those of the militants. The former ordered them to vote, the laner said they should not do so. Posters

week warning that anybody who voted would suffer dire punishment. It was signed Alghan Commandos, a small militant organisation. Many people who refused to

vote said they feared visits from security forces today to check if they had an inkmark on their fingers. "If they don't find the mark, we will be beaten. They will be very angry. This election is a farce, a local doctor said.
"Nobody wants to vote

because that would legitimise India's occupation of Kashmir. Every man, woman and child is crying for azadi [freedom!. We want our indepen-

dence back," he said.
It is unofficially estimated that India has 350,000 security forces in Kashmir, including those guarding the 1949 cease-fire line which divides the former kingdom between India and Pakistan. Officially another 50,000 were drafted in for the election; the real figure is probably double that.

The militant movement in Kashmir is in chaos because of the introduction of officially sponsored counter-insurgency groups that have gone on a killing spree to wipe out activists from separatist organisations. Most of the killing now is Kashmiri against Kashmiri; the armed forces are able to take a back seat.



President Clinton and Helmut Kohl shake hands before their meeting at Milwaukee City Hall yesterday

Clinton and Kohl send summit signal

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton and Helmut Kohl. the German Chancellor, yesterday openly endorsed President Yeltsin in his tough battle for re-election against the Communist Gennadi Zyuganov on June 19.

Casting diplomatic niceties aside. Herr Kohl said he supported those that pursued reform and wanted to open

was only marginally more restrained, saying he believed Mr Yeltsin and other reformers represented the future and "we hope the Russian people will vote for the future". But it was far from clear that their highly unusual intervention in Russian affairs would actually help Mr Yeltsin. It could assist Mr Zyuganov by fuelling Russian nationalist sentiment.

The two men agreed during their meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to

peacekeeping lorce from Bosnia, whether or not that country had achieved stability. They also discussed strong European objections to US plans to impose sanctions on foreign companies doing business with Iran and Libya. Mr Clinton and Herr Kohl were speaking at a joint press conference during what was quickly dubbed the "sausage summil". After the conference, the two were going to what promised to be a formidable lunch.

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Clinton pledges to ban gay marriages

By MARTIN FLETCHER

PRESIDENT CLINTON has enraged America's homosexuals, among his strongest supporters in 1992, by saying that he intends to sign a Republican Bill outlawing same-sex "marriages".

"This is capitulation to religious political extremists," the Human Rights Campaign. America's main homosexual pressure group, said. The group withdrew an invitation to George Siephanopoulos, a White House adviser, to address a San Francisco dinner.

Dole, was "a ploy by the floundering Dole-for-President campaign to drive a wedge between the gay community and President Climton", the protesters said, "and it is very disappointing that he has felt the need to take the politically expedient way out." David Mixner, a California

The Defence of Marriage Act, co-sponsored by Bob

fundraiser and one of Mr Clinton's most prominent

homosexual supporters, called the President's decision "nauseating and appalling... an act of political cowardice". The White House said that

Mr Clinton's decision was based on personal conviction. but it was undoubtedly influenced by the public roasting he suffered for his early attempt to lift the ban on homosexuals to the military. In recent months Mr Clinton has been presenting himself as a champion of centrist, mainstream values and he was not going to let his Republican foes put him "back in his liberal box" by vetoing this Bill.

Mr Clinton won an estimated six million homosexual votes in 1992, nearly 15 per cent of his total. The gay vole is particularly important in the key electoral state of California, but the White House appears to have calculated that homosexuals have nowhere else to go.

Russia up and continued: "I do hope the adhere to the December deadline for present President will win." Mr Clinton withdrawing the US-led international

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Agent 'was filmed passing secrets to British diplomats'

By Richard Beeston in moscow and Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

A RUSSIAN diplomat ac- the tape was shown to the cused of spying for Britain was reportedly caught redhanded by Russian counterintelligence officers using high-tech communications British diplomats in Moscow.

In an account of the latest spying row between Russia and Britain, the weekly newspaper Argumenty i Fakty reported an extraordinary tale of espionage straight from the

Citing sources at the Federal Security Service (FSB), the newspaper claimed that the middle-ranking Russian dip-lomat, who is being held at the maximum-security Lefortovo prison in Moscow, is the son of a Russian ambassador serv-

ing in a European capital.

The spy was apparently equipped with a small shortwave radio transmitting device. This enabled him to broadcast coded messages to a nearby British contact who had a receiver which recorded the information. The Russians apparently monitored the spy and videotaped him in action.

Although it is customary for one intelligence officer to control a spy, the Russians claimed that nine members of the British Embassy were used on different occasions to retrieve information broadcast by the agent. The accused spy was arrested in April and

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and to Sir Andrew Wood, the British Ambassador. The move triggered a two-week row which led to the tit-for-tat expulsions of four diplomats in each capital last week.

The newspaper said that three of the British diplomats had already returned home and a fourth would follow shortly. The other five diplo-mats allegedly involved with the spy are due to complete their tours of duty within the next three months.

The Foreign Office has maintained that the Russian action was unjustified and that no evidence had been produced proving British involvement. However, Argu-

Lang: hopes to boost trade with Russia

menty i Fakty said the reason the authorities were not willing to release more information about the affair was the embarrassment for the Russian Foreign Ministry.

The reason for concealing the name of the British spy is clear now," the paper said.
"We managed to find out that his father is an ambassador in a European country and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would like to have him back in Moscow before the scandal

Despite the row, Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, is to lead a delegation of senior executives from top British companies operating in Russia on a two-week trade visit to Moscow and St Petersburg starting next week. Members of the delegation will meet Russian ministers and representatives of British and Russian companies.

Mr Lang's visit will be the first at his level for four years. He will chair a meeting which will look at ways of boosting trade and investment, and will sign co-operation agreements in the nuclear and science

Mr Lang's visit confirms Britain's interest in putting the spy row to one side. He said Russia was well on the way to becoming a market economy and British business had much to offer.



Suzan Schlegelmich receives the Légion d'honneur from General Hugues Geoffrey at her home outside Paris and, right, during the war in North Africa

France fêtes wartime heroine from Britain

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

A BRITISH woman who joined the French Foreign Legion in 1940 and played a key role in one of the most important battles of the Second World War has been awarded the coveted Légion d'honneur.

Suzan Schlegelmich (née Travers), now 86, was presented with the award at her home outside Paris this week by General Hugues Geoffrey, her former comrade-in-arms, who applauded her bravery. In May 1942, Suzan Travers

herself at Bir Hakeim in the Libyan desert, the sole woman among 5,000 French troops besieged by Rommel's Afrika Korps and the Italian Army. A few months earlier she had been made the driver for General Marie Pierre Koenig, the charismatic leader of the Free French forces, who had given orders to his men to make a stand at Bir Hakeim to impede the German advance and give the British time to

applauded her bravery.

In May 1942, Suzan Travers

Was just 33 when she found and weak from thirst, the

French clung on for two weeks under intense bombardment until June 10, when the order was given to retreat.

Miss Travers, as she is still affectionately known, was at the wheel when General Koenig's vehicle led the ragged French column to safety through a minefield and en-

"It was very exciting," she said yesterday as she recalled the battle from her home in Savigny-sur-Orge, near Paris.
Born in Folkestone, the
daughter of an officer in the
Royal Navy, Miss Travers

was in France when war broke out. She signed up with the 13th demi-brigade of the French Foreign Legion and was promptly dispatched to Africa. When General Koenig's driver was killed in action, she was drafted in as a

As the Germans and Ital-

was sent to a camp away from the front line. No sooner had she rejoined the main French force after reports that the attack was over, than the enemy barrage resumed. "We were surrounded, this time for good. The bombardment went

alarming," she said. "With us she was better guarded by the legionnaires than a young girl in a con-vent." General Geoffrey said after the award ceremony this

On the moonless night of June 10, the French forces broke out. Three Bren carriers went first, then me, driving the general's car, but they led us into the minefield by mistake. The carriers blew up." Mme Schlegelmich said. Then we found the right way. We could see the tracer fire ahead and the general said,

'Drive as fast as you can' through the cross-fire. Some ians advanced on Bir Hakeim, the general's female chauffeur were hit, some were not," she

recalled. The Ford driven by Miss Travers was peppered with bollet holes, but both General Koenig and his chauffeur successfully made it through and the surviving French forces rejoined the British Eighth Army. Bir Hakeim is celebrated in

France as a legendary display of the Foreign Legion's tenac-ity. The battle sapped German strength and paved the way for the Allied victory at El Alamein.

> Miss Travers became Mme Schlegelmich when she married a fellow Foreign Legion-naire after the war. She left the army in 1947 to bring up two children in France. A fellow soldier recalled the slight Englishwoman's sang-froid under fire and remarked: "Suzan, c'est un vrai mec" :-which perhaps best translates as "Suzan was one of the fads," the highest compliment a grizzled French Jegionnaire can



FROM PETER CAPELLA IN GENEVA

THE risk of premature death due to smoking is greater than previously estimated, according to the World Health years from its level of about

women in wealthy countries,

are due to smoking. "Nobody is standing on street corners selling handy

terparts in poorer nations. Britain ranks thirteenth in the world for overall cigarette consumption, with 89 billion Organisation. The number of shirt-pocket-sized packages of cigarettes smoked every year. Smoking related deaths is extine. Aids virus, yet that is China tops the list with 1,600

public health have limited smoking in more developed countries, Mr Collishaw said they would never be able to match the financial resources of tobacco companies.

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The health agency also wants to step up protection for children and has called for measures, including aid for countries which depend on tobacco production.



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Russia's hard-hitting liberal champion gambles on Yeltsin's need for support in presidential poll

Yavlinsky fights to keep reform on track

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

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GRIGORI YAVLINSKY held up his two tists and brought them together with a crunch. That is what Russian politics is like," the former middleweight boxer and presidential hopeful said. "No subtleties, no compromise, just a head-on clash between two sides: win-

ner take all."
As the last legitimate demo-cratic leader in Russia, trailing behind President Yeltsin

and Gennadi Zyuganov, his Communist chalinger, Mr Yavlinsky is able to thought that his presidential hopes lie somewhere between the interlocking

knuckles of his fists. Five years after democratic fever swept Russia, Mr Yavlinsky and his marketeers, intellectuals and human rights activists are fighting a rearguard action to

keep the spirit of reform alive. Russia is moving towards an oligarchy, where monopolies control the economy, the state is criminalised and corrupt, and the real reformers have been driven out of government," said the Ukrainianborn economist, head of the liberal Yabloko party, refer-

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Yeltsin's administration. "My job is to steer the country back

Despite the gloomy predictions of the pundits and the sense of defeat among democrats, there is no sign of worry on Mr Yavlinsky's boyish features and even a flicker of confidence that the story of

Russia's path to democracy may yet have a happy ending. His optimism may be rooted partly in his upbringing. secondary school dropout from the western Ukrainian city of Lvov,

he became one of the most influential economists in the country, serving Mikhail Gorbachev and President Yeltsin before launching his own political career three years ago

Last week the liberal leader took one of his biggest gam-bles when he presented President Yeltsin with a letter containing a list of demands intended to force the Kremlin back onto the road to reform.

The document called for the dismissal of key Cabinet members, including Viktor Cher-nomyrdin, the Prime Min-



Yavlinsky hopes his letter may deflect President Yeltsin from considering a compromise with the Communists

ister, and General Pavel Grachev, the Defence Minister. It demanded that the war in Chechenia be halted through peace talks. And it set out basic reforms needed to liberalise, the economy and help small businesses.

"I was concerned by the very real danger that Yeltsin may consider some sort of compromise with the Communists. Mr Yavlinsky said, "I felt I had a duty to present to him the minimum requirements of the democratic side."

Although there is no chance of President Yeltsin agreeing to the demands by tomorrow's deadline, the Kremlin leader was careful not to reject the

publication, he announced that he was considering a shake-up in his Government. that Mr Yavlinsky's policies could be incorporated in his platform, and that the war in Chechenia had to be resolved

Although the two men will not commit themselves at this stage, it is dear that they are playing out the opening steps an elaborate courtship which may blossom later into a happy union. If, as is thought likely, no candidate wins 50 per cent of the votes in the first round of the presidenrial elections on June 16, the two leading candidates will go

into a run-off poll. At that point, Mr Yavlinsky

will be in a strong position to offer his public backing to President Yellsin, and the support of his millions of voters, who are now estimated to form about 10 per cent of the electorate.

If the Russian leader accepts the demands set out in last week's letter, he could have a charismatic, youthful and popular running mate to help him to complete the final stretch of the race.

As for Mr Yavlinsky, although coy about admitting it, he is positioning himself to become Russia's next Prime Minister and the country's President-in-waiting.

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Minister dies

in flat fight

Moscow: Anatoli Stepanov, the Russian Deputy Justice Minister, was killed in his flat yesterday after a fight with an acquaintance, police said. Tass said Mr Stepanov, 55, married with two children, died from head injuries after he was hit with a hlunt nbject, It quoted police as saying that he had gone home on Wednesday with an ac-quaintance and the pair had had a fight. The identity of the acquaintance and his relationship to Mr Stepanov was not released. (AFP)

Sharp wit helps to win points for democracy

By Richard Beeston

n economist by training and a democrat by conviction, Grigori Yavlinsky, the liberal presidential hopeful, represents the last hope for Russia's be-sieged reform movement.

Currently running third in opinion polls behind Presi-dent Yeltsin and Gennadi Zyuganov, the Communist Party leader, Mr Yavlinsky is admired for his sharp mind. quick wit and his campaigning skills, which appeal as much to intellectuals as working-class Russians.

In addition, he has been hailed by human rights activists for his strong and consistent denunciation of the war in Chechenia. However, he is also mistrusted by democrats who blame his driving amhition and arrogance for thwarting attempts at unifying the

divided liberal camp. Mr Yavlinsky, 44, first came to prominence at the height of Mikhail Gorbachev's era as leader, when he co-authored a bold plan to transform the country's crippled economy from Communist control to Western-style free market in under two years. The document, known as the "500-Day Plan", was at first accepted by the Kremlin, but later watered down by Mr Gorbachev, who considered it too fast and too

radical. Mr Yavlinsky has claimed ever since that the failure to commit the former Soviet Union to radical reform led to the coup of 1991, Mr Gorbachev's removal from power and the confused approach to market reform undertaken by President Yeltsin,

Although critics contend

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that Mr Yavlinsky is long on talk and advice but has no proven track record in office he counters that his blueprint for reform was tried out and succeeded in the booming Volga city of Nizhny

Novgorod. Mr Yavlinsky's position as the last champion of democratic principles in Russian politics and his popularity in the West, where he is regularly praised by newspapers and politicians, belie his humble

He dropped out of school as a teenager in Lvov and began work as an electrician in a local factory, where he also made a name for himself as the regional middleweight boxing champion.

e came to Moscow in 1973 after being admitted to study economics at the respected Plekhanov Institute. From there his career took off, and hy the mid-t980s he had served in a succession of key government posts where he advised on economic reform. In 1993 he formed the liberal Yabloko party and entered the Duma, the lower house of parliament, where today his faction is the fourth largest in

the assembly, Mr Yavlinsky's achievements are all the more remarkable given that he is of Jewish parentage. Extremist Russian politicians have repeatedly attempted to use this fact against hlm by appealing to the deep-seated anti-Semi ism existing in many parts of Russian society.

Kremlin pins electoral hopes on talks with Chechen leader

By Thomas de Waal in grozny and Richard Beeston

PRESIDENT Yeltsin took the Organisation for Security and outstripping the main challfirst concrete step yesterday to end 17 months of fighting in Chechenia, when the Kremlin said he was hosting face-toface talks with a Chechen separatist delegation led by Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev, the new rebel leader.

In a move that could greatly improve the Russian leader's electoral chances in next month's presidential polls, the Kremlin confirmed that Mr Yeltsin had guaranteed the safety of the Chechen delegation for the duration of the talks in the next few days.

"The talks are meant to stop the fighting and reach a peaceful solution," said Tim Guldimann, the head of the sion in Grozny. His team will accompany the Chechens to ensure their safety.

Aslan Maskhadov. Chechen rebels' chief of staff, said the meeting would take place on Monday and that he was hopeful of a settlement to end the war. An estimated 40,000 people have died in the conflict so far. The latest initiative stands the best chance of success since the talks for the first time directly involve President Yeltsin.

A peace accord to end the fighting and bring Russian troops home would be a big electoral boost to his campaign, which appears to be

Co-operation in Europe's mis- enge from Gennadi Zyuganov, his Communist rival. Experts believe the Russiar leader has only been able to

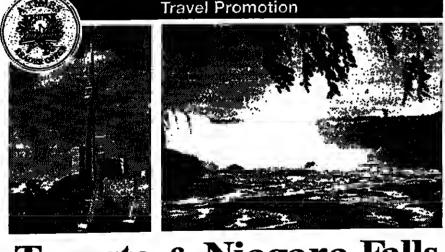
act after the death of Dzhokhar Dudayev, the former Chechen rebel leader. who was killed in an air raid. and yesterday's reported de-feat of the last Chechen guerrilla stronghold at Bamut. While the talks could lead

to a ceasefire and demilitarisation of the territory, the thornier issue of sovereignty could take a long time to resolve. The Chechens have demanded full independence, while Moscow has so far only offered autonomy within the Russian Federation.

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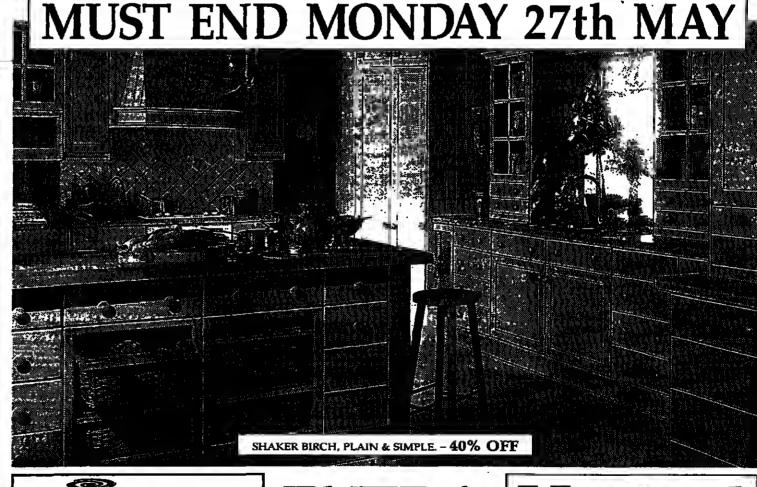
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Alice Thomas Ellis will be unhappy. The new Archbishop of Liverpool is a Catholic of the ecumenical school

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may weep into her metaphorical nun's scapular. but the new Archbishop of Liverpool offers no balm to her troubled soul, other than his air of sweet benevolence. When asked who she would like Liverpool's next archbishop to be, she wrote, "I respond that a Catholic would be nice.

The Catholic Bishop Patrick Kelly of Salford, on whom the Pope will place the pallium or woollen collar on June 29, is a smallish man of 57, jovial and approachable, who speaks in the accent of his native Lancashire. Our picture shows him in mitre and cope, but these are only for the picture. The last time I wore this," he says, struggling with a Velcro fastening, "was for the visit of the Patriarch last winter."

He is a humble and unpretentious man, of simple tastes, few possessious and no pomp. By contrast, his salubrious tied cottage, the glorious Wardley Hall, which he occupies with a small staff and a dog named Ben, is a Tudor manor house with courtyard. wooded parkland, its own chapel, Chippendale chairs, and oak panel-ling kept polished under the eye of a housekeeper nun and a reverend steward. In a glass case on the staircase reposes the skull of Saint Ambrose Barlow, born Manchester 1585, canonised 1970, a Benedictine monk, arrested while celebrating Mass on Easter Sunday 1641 and condemned to be hanged, drawn and quartered, for popery.

Bishop Kelly is no martyr, but he does accede to his new job under a cloud of schism, thanks to Ms Thomas Ellis's savage indictment, in the Cotholic Herold, of his predecessor the late Archbishop Derek Worlock, and her warning that Liverpool's Catholic congregation would continue to plummet if his successor were cut from the same cinth. Alas for her and her fellow tradioonalists, Bishop Kelly a devout coumenical, theologically in tune with his predecessor and with the reforming Second Vatican Council — and also very much a popular choice.

When he meets the Pope they converse in English and Italian: Bishop Kelly studied for nine years in Rome. His years at the Gregorian University ("intellectually stimulating and enormously nourishing") were the years of Pope John

lice Thomas Ellis, the Roman Catholic novelist. XXIII and Vatican II which helps to explain who I am. So although the first Mass he ever celebrated was in Latin, he has implemented the guidelines of Vatican ff all his working life.

He was a cradle Catholic. His father, a dentist, was from Donegal, his mother an Anglican from Morecambe. They married late: Patrick, born when his mother was 38, was the first of four. "Our grandmother went to Dublin only when her three sons qualified in medicine. She told them she was very proud of them, but would be even more proud if told they had been good to the

The boy Patrick found his vocacion early, visiting the poor and the sick. During Lent in his A-level year, he attended Mass every morning at 6.45 before travelling 25 miles to school ... At just 17, he was in

"All our lectures, written work and examinations were in Latin. Latin was a

living language to me." He still winces if he hears musical settings of the Mass which suggest that the author did not know the Latin

Yet he does not regret the Latin Mass. "I do think it is good that when Roman Catholics from different countries come together they can sing parts of the Mass together - Glorio, Credo, Sanctus, Paternoster. A lingua franca in places like Lourdes gives the sense of unity and diversity. But to say that everybody used to join in the Latin Mass is a false memory." He concedes that on a pilgrimage

to Walsingham, a Latin Mass works wonderfully". "But I cannot imagine what it sounds like to those for whom Latin is not a living

Perhaps it has value as something mysterious?

"Yes, but one must locate the mystery in the right place. Throughout the New Testament, whenever the word mystery occurs it means the revelation of God's plan, not hiding it."

years introducing young men to study of liturgy. But if you are preparing others for ordination you can never run away from the questions: What is the Church?

What must the Church be? "The Times calls me 'a conservative liberal'. But that is what Catholic means, in its deepest

On the eve of this week's an-nouncement of his appointment by the Papal Nuncio, the bishop was at Opera North's Morriage of Figaro in Manchester. His constit-

> chester, but the Ecclesiastical Titles Act obliges the Catholic Bishop to be titled Salford: "When my predecessor met Prince Philip, he explained that Manchester and Salford were like Budanest: two cities divided by a river. The next time he met the greeted with, 'Ah! the Bishop

uency is Man-

Budapest'. While his cathedral at Salford is a traditional Victorian ecclesiastical building, his new base will be the Metropolitan Cathedral which, as the Liverpool-born Ms Thomas Ellis writes, leaves her "baffled as to how a religion which had inspired the building of Chartres could also have led to the committing of Liverpool Cathedral".

"De gustibus non disputondum," replies the bishop equably, explaining that the 1960s cathedral had to be built speedily, in a design that would not be comparable with the Anglican Cathedral "in a city where there could be division".

Alice may prefer the whiff of incense, an air of bushed sanctity, but the bishop declares that profound reverence is possible anywhere, "even in modern buildings, or places that are little more than emporary huts."

He will not accept that there is widespread anti-ecumenical feeling Catholics. As a young curate in Lancaster, he was in-

in Birmingham in 1966 he spent 18 think it's important to tell young people of precious moments like that. This was a complex journey. and here was a clear sign that it was right to take it. I never had any doubt, myself - half my relatives were Anglicans." He shows me a congratulatory fax from Rome, encouraging him to continue over-coming the entrenched sectarianism of the past.

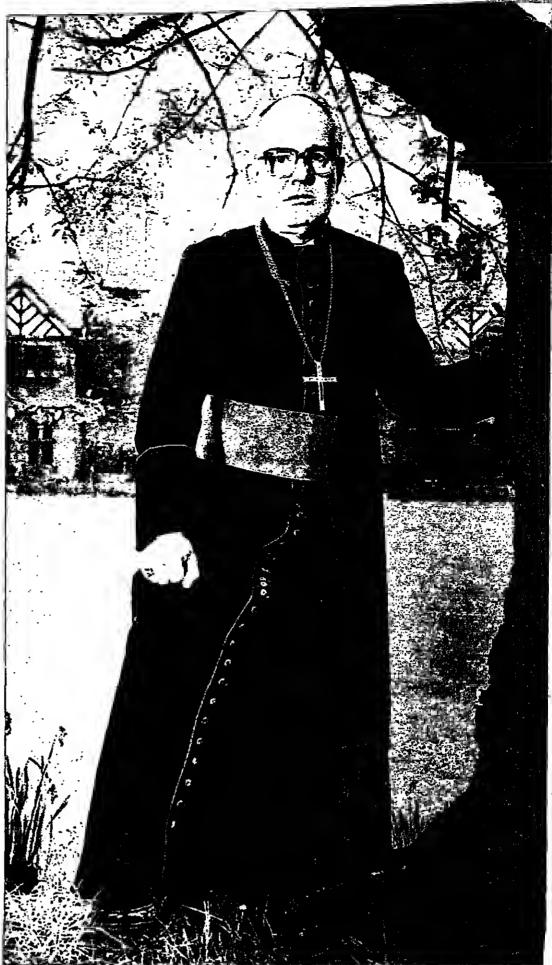
What about the dwindling Liver-pool congregations, which Ms Thomas Ellis ascribes to the laxity, confusion, compromise and heresy of the modern Church? "Falling attendance has been on the agenda at every meeting of priests in this diocese for years. It is not an experience reserved for Liverpool. But nobody has produced a magic wand to solve it, nor any clarity about what the causes are.

Two Sundays ago we had a celebration at Salford for handicapped children, and the Cathedral was heaving with young. And there will be several hundred young people on our pilgrimage to

Lourdes. Praying singing."

Ultimately, he points out, a bishop must distinguish between what is essential, eternal and important to faith, and what is of only temporary concern. "All parents go through the sentiment, 'I didn't do this when I was a child'. Does that mean my children should not do it? A bishop has to ensure there is a perspective, to have antennae twitching, and to remember they were saying the same thing 1,000 years ago.

find that whenever f am alerted to serious contemporary issues," he says, "I come back to what Cardinal Hume says: 'If I say things must change, it means I must change." Each one of us must review seriously and constantly our attentiveness to living out the word of the Lord. I don't think our problems are going to be solved by strategy." He quotes a passage written by one of his mentors in Rome, Father Bernard Lonergan, SJ: a searching analysis of decline in society (egoism being the source of decline; selfsacrificing love the means of redemption) including the phrase "a civilisation in decline digs its own grave with relentless consisvolved in the first joint ecumenical tency". With that alone, Alice service in the city, "My memory is Thomas Ellis might concur.

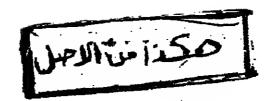


Patrick Kelly, the new Roman Catholic Archbishop of Liverpool: "I last wore this for the Patriarch's visit"

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STOP HAY FEVER BEFORE IT STARTS





What comes first...home or the office?

Kathryn Knight on how we separate work and family life

ost of us make personal calls from the office. sneakily using work time to pay bills and book holidays. At home, we spend evenings griping about work while filling in our

work-related planners. The boundaries hetween our private and working lives have become increasingly blurred, despite our best attempts to keep the two apart. What we don't realise is that the way we dress, our wallets, hunchboxes, even the way we say "hello" reveal much about our priorities

Do you keep your work and home keys on the same chain? Do you list your friends and work contacts in the same Filofax? According to the American



Reassuring calls home

sociologist Christena Nippert-Eng. such seemingly inconsequential desurprisingly revealing.
In Home and Work.

Negotiating Boundaries through Everyday Life, she shows how our insecurities are revealed through the minutiae of our daily lives. According to her, people are either "integrators" or "segmentists", one type scattering their desks with family photos, the other having separate wardrobes

The idea of boundaries first struck Ms Nippert-Eng when she was commuting to a university course seven years ago.
"On the train were all these people performing an amazing, orchestrated dance at exactly the same time each day," she says. Someone would get on. throw their briefcase in the rack, fold their trenchcoat seven times and start chewing the top of their polystyrene coffee cup. That was how they signified their entry into the working day." At around the same time, she first visited the house of her future parentsin-law. Having grown up in a house full of the paraphernalia of teachers. cluttered with books. papers and images of work, she was unprepared for the

her in-laws' home. "It was impossible to tell what they did for a living nothing from their work life crossed over into the home," she says.

work-free environment of

Our insecure nature means we need to construct boundaries, but we find it hard to control them. Most people, says Ms Nippert-Eng, become very tense if they are oot allowed their routine, but rarely examine

their own habits to see why

A flatmate of mine, a real segmentist, refuses to take a personal phone call at home until she has changed from her office clothes into her "leisure wear". Only then does she "Changing outfits is her way of forcing herself into an out-of-work mode," explains Ms Nippert-Eng.

Most people she interviewed said their dress affected the way they viewed themselves. Grey suit and flat heels with a carefully made-up face was their office persona. Jogging suit and no make-up was the relaxed version of

For segmentists, a tiny costume change may be enough to signify the boundary between work-ing and leisure time. Some kick off their shoes in the car, for instance, or loosen their tie on the train home.

Most of us feel the need to reassure ourselves, while at work, that there are other hings we care about bence the family snapshot on the desk (or, in the absence of a family, the photograph of a pet), Making personal calls is another way of defiantly showing others - or reassuring yourself - that you really do have another life.

The wallet and address book are also symbolic minefields. Do you load your wallet with personal bric-a-brac? You could be trying to comfort yourself. Are your work and personal numbers in separate address books? You must be a segmentist.

We use our hellos and goodbyes to give out stern social signals to our family and colleagues. When you say 'goodbye hooey' in the morning, you are saying that you are entering into a different mindset, says Ms when you say hello to your colleagues in the office. subconsciously you are saying to them, 'Right, here we are, let's pick up from where we left off."

hat about the ul-timate in crossv ing boundaries baving a relationship with someone from the office? If you are a natural segmentist, you may have problems with this one. If not, "It can be a best-case scenario. Instead of struggling to reconcile two lifestyles, you can get them beautifully interrelated."

So are we better balanced if we discard the office with our overcoat when we get in at night? Ms Nippert Eng is undecided. "Most of us find it hard to divide our lives in such an extreme fashion, and use trivial things to keep ourselves oriented."

But next time you phone your mother from the office, just think what it really means.

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The Russians are coming



Neither red oor dead: Russian models are already a common sight on the catwalks of Paris and Milan

Glossy magazines, top models and high fashion are gripping Moscow — to the dismay of the old guard, says Richard Beeston

hen Emmanuel Ungaro arrived in Moscow re-cently to launch his latest collection and announce the opening of his first boutique in the Russian capital, he likened the city to an exotic woman he wanted to seduce. Watching the towering Russian models displaying his autumn collection to an enthusiastic audience in the grand Hall of Columns — once reserved for the lying-in-state of Soviet leaders — it was easy to see why he was

so enamoured. But, as the diminutive French couturier cannot have failed to notice during his brief stay. Russia may be receptive to his charms, but he is by no means the only suitor in town. The country — and particularly Moscow — is in the grip of a fashion mania with designer clothes shops

mushrooming across the city centre, models elevated to the status once reserved for Soviet sporting heroes and Western glossy magazines competing for space on newspaper stands.

In the past two years Cosmopolitan, Harper's Bazaar and most recently Elle have launched successful Russian editions with Vogue and Marie-Claire also cycing the lucrative and still untapped market. The new generation

of Russian women, especially from 20 to 35, is ready to accept international standards in fashion, health, beauty and life in general," says Yelena Yudina, Elle's Editor-in-Chief. "They are sophisticated enough, clever enough and beautiful enough to be at the same level in fashion as everybody in the world."

Russian girls are already a common sight on the catwalks of Paris and Milan and two models - Irina Pantayeva from Siberia and Christina Pirova from the Caucasus - are well on the way to achieving supermodel

The obsession with fashion is by no means confined to young women. Last year during the run-up to the parliamentary elections, the Our Home is Russia party, headed by Viktor Chernomyrdin, the stolid Prime Min-ister, brought Claudia Schiffer, the German supermodel, to Moscow to enliven his lacklustre campaign.

In the present presidential race, none of the candidates can afford to leaders of the past. Typically the candidates have already been upstaged by Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the ultra-nationalist firebrand, who insists on wearing only designer clothes made by Slava Zaitsey, Russia's best-known couturier, and favours in particular a crimson tunic with gold buttons.

"Looking back I think we have Raisa Gorbachev to thank for what is happening today," says Tatyana

Koltsova, the head of Red Stars, Russia's best-known model agency. She was the first one who was not afraid to look stylish and she inspired a whole generation of women. There will

be no going back." However, as with so many of the Gorbachev reforms, the tide may be turning. A new counter-revolution against fashion is in progress. Among older Russians it is common to hear criticism that the new generation is being sold "vulgar and soulless" Western culture that demeans women.

"Rather than portraying women's realistic role in society - as professionals, mothers or partners - the press exploits women, treating them as goods to be sold," says Alevtina Fedulova, the head of the Russian Union of Women.

In particular, there has been an outery over the impact of Western glossy magazines on traditional Russian publications such as Rabotnitsa (Woman Worker) and Krestyanka (Peasant

Woman). The mag azines, which extolled the virtues of the Soviet working women and gave tips to get by with limited resources, have seen their circulation dwindle from tens of millions to a few hundred thousand.

The Russian woman as householder and mother is highly valued, possessing a certain quality of the soul," says Nadezhda Zhikhareva, a member of the Russian press committee which was responsible for publishing Soviet women's

magazines. Imported Western fashion magazines now account for some 40 per cent of the market, and she fears that Russian women will lose their real

owever, the nostalgia for the bygone days of Soviet life leaves the younger generation cold, particularly when they recall an era of shortages of even the most basic feminine items such as rampons and

"I remember it was really hard," says Tatyana Antoshena, a model who grew up near the city of Yekaterinburg in the Urals. "You had to make your hlack market. I don't believe that anyone would want to go back to those

Victoria Dronova, her colleague, says it is too late to turn the clock back and that Russian women still never accept their former status.

"Moscow is one of the most exciting places for fashion in the world because it is moving so fast," she says. "I love it here. I would not work anywhere else."

Quentin Letts on why, in these tearful times, the presidential handkerchief has never been damper

The crying game

HE IS the widow's friend. President Clinton this week reached into his White House wardrobe and again donned his funeral suit, this time for Admiral Mike Boorda. America's top sailor had committed suicide: there was another family to comfort, more pain

At the National Cathedral in Washington, Mr Clinton entered arm-in-arm with the grieving Betty Boorda, escorting her gently to ber pew. Here was a widow shocked not only by the loss of her husband, but also by the manner of his passing. Bill Clinton was there for her. The most powerful man in the world found time to visit the

Boorda family at home, listening to Betty's memories of her darling Mike and squeezing her hand when it all became too much and the shoulders started to shake, the tears started to flow.

When it comes to tugging tears ducts, Bill Clinton is hard to beat. It would not do in Britain, where we like our leaders to defy misfortune with a stare, but in America these days a good open weep will get you places - such as the White House.

Things have changed since 1972 when Ed Muskie's presidential aspirations died after he wept in defence of his wife. People then did not trust a politician who blubbed. But for Bill Clinton in the 1990s, tears equal votes.

The routine begins with a jut of the Clinton chin and an upward tilt of the head. The jaw muscles twitch and the voice goes all James Stewart: quavery, Southern, with pauses so long that you wonder if he is strong enough to proceed. The microphone picks up the wet smack of his mouth, the bulbous nose reddens and the eyes start to look misty: like Dartmoor on a

damp night.

Last month's prolonged obsequies for the late US Commerce Secretary, Ron Brown, gave the President numerous memorial addresses to deliver, many of them televised



Soh supremo: Bill Clinton

live. His poll ratings shot upwards, as they did after the lachrymose "shalom hever" tribute to Yitzhak Rabin last autumn. At an Oklahoma bomb commemoration, Mr Clinton slowly thanked the

good people of Oklahoma for giving him a lesson in grief and a woman blew her nose into her hanky. Little Alma McCaskell, a relation of one who died, approached the President and was given a dewy-eyed hug.
It seems to be contagious.

Marion Brando "broke down and wept" to a rabbi after he had made some mildly silly remarks about Jews in Holly wood. This year's Oscars were the dampest in memory, the Dooglas family shedding buckets when old man Kirk accepted a special award, and Paul Sorvino doing a veritable Stan Laurel impression when his daughter Mira won

a prize. Bob Dole, Mr Clinton's electoral rival, had a go at crying last month. He was giving a speech in his home town of Russell, Kansas, At

one point his lower lip started to wobble and his voice gave up on him.

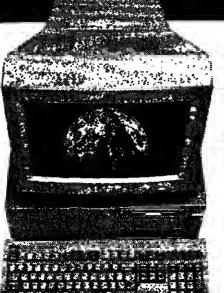
'Got a bit emotional out there for a moment, Mr Senator," observed a supporter after the rally. "Yep!" said Mr Dole, very pleased. But it was not a convincing cry. He will need to do very much better if he is to beat the weeper-in-chief.



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How we can use beef to beat Kohl

John Redwood sets out a

British vision of Europe

The European Union is threatening regulations that will make the Rolls-Royce radiator grille illegal. It has already banned the export of the roast beef of old England, and the sale abroad of prime Scotch sirloin. British fishermen can no longer catch all the cod we need for fish and chips. It is as if the European Union had set out to damage or abolish our national symbols and institutions one by one. It has changed the public mood and united the Conservarive Party in anger at these unnecessary meddlings. The new "beef war cabinet" should look at all these issues, not

All this has taught many people a truth about Europe. For years people thought we had joined a Common Market. The growing evidence that others were building a state governed from Brussels was shrugged aside as strange continental idiosyncrasy. Europe was a cause of mirth as it sought the perfect cucumber or the straight banana. Now people realise it is more than this. Europe does have direct and real power over our lives. It can make or break whole industries; It can lose you your job: It has plans to transform the way we are governed by shifting immense power to Frankfurt and Brussels.

What has impressed people most about the beef crisis is how powerless British ministers appear, Beef and the rest of agriculture are primarily controlled from Brussels and not from London, Douglas Hogg is not a plenipotentiary but a supplicant. The industry's future depends on the to date been dominated by German intentions to ban our beef. Although people knew we were part of something called the common agricultural policy, which means that we pay more for our food than if we bought in the world mar-The problem comes from ket, it has taken the beef crisis to bring home the fact that if we do not like the common policies under the legal system

nothing we can do about it. The Government's decision this week to refuse to cooperate until the beef issue is resolved in our favour is a welcome development. It shows a wish to stand up for British interests. The ban on gelatin was near to being lifted. The new pressure may bring progress on the general ban, but it is not a lasting solution to the problem of powerlessness felt by ministers and constituents. It may salvage something for the beef industry, but enormous dam-

of the Community, there is

age will have been done. British ministers should not sit at the council table in a sullen sulk. Nor should we speak only of beef, important though that is. We must use the new notoriety we have gained by our threat of noncooperation to articulate a better vision of Europe, to offer our partners a choice, to say there is a different way from that recommended by Chancellor Kohl. Our case should

begin with unemployment. It is no accident that unemployment is so much higher in Europe than in North America or Asia. It is the direct result of EU policies. It is now

has been revived by an assiduous

Downing Street charlady. Her

book on the Prime Minister's

country residence Chequers, which

appeared to have been abandoned,

is back on track after a cleaner

discovered essential archive mate-

A book tour by the First Lady is

now planned for the autumn.

Dates have been pencilled in only.

just in case a general election is

Downing Street is closely pro-tecting the name of the truffling

cleaning-lady, who, having strug-gled through piles of Prime Minis-

terial clutter, decided the basement

could do with a clean-out. Like

Carter finding Tutankhamun, but

with duster instead of torch, she

stumbled on the crucial bundle of

I understand that Norma seized

upon the material and sprinted up

to telephone the literary agent

Andrew Lownie. And so the Che-

quers project was revived. No-

body is saying yet what secrets they

have discovered," says a source.

"But there appears to be evidence

that there was once a cricket pitch

at Chequers. The Prime Minister is

rial in the basement of No 10.

called to steal her thunder.

being increased by the Maastricht requirements and by the common employment policies of the 14 states that have signed the social chapter. Both France and Germany need faster growth to bring their deficits down. Both are aiming for lower growth through their present policies. Both need farreaching long-term reform of their welfare systems, not smash-and-grab raids against those least able to afford it. Neither has developed systems of savings for pensions by employers and employees.

They need them quickly, oth-erwise their public spending will be unsustainable into the next century.
It is cruelty to tell people they can earn more than the market wishes to pay them. Offering a minimum wage is fine for some, but for others it means no job. No wonder

youth unemployment is so high on the Continent. It is also a grave folly for the EU to believe that it knows best about technology and to worry about where an idea ed-here" syndrome. It is fast becoming illegal for companies in Britain or elsewhere in the EU to develop certain new technologies, or to use technologies developed elsewhere in the world. This narrow approach destroys jobs, turns away investment and adds to the dole queues.

aving set out our stall for a less regulated . Europe, we should argue our case for a Europe of nations. The Government is right to make that the centrepiece of its strategy. The beef crisis shows how far we have deviated from that ideal already in some areas. If we were truly a Europe of nations, Britain would be able to export beef to non-EU countries that wish to buy it. We would be able to protect British cod and the Rolls-Royce grille.

the European Court. There is nothing wrong with a Council of Ministers finding common solutions in common policies, although this should usually be done by unanimity rather than by majority voting. There is everything wrong with a court that tells us that our laws have to be changed and which demands £30 million of our money to compensate Spanish fishermen who have not plundered our waters, but think on reflection they should have done so.

To create this Europe of nations, the Government should reassert the supremacy of Acts of Parliament over judge-made law from Europe. Then the Government by itself could lift the ban on exporting our beef to non-EU countries; British ministers could return to the council table with more pride in themselves and more power in their pockets. Then they would be negotiating with the voice of public and Parliament at their back. This might prove so attractive that other countries would follow. Loss of our power to impose some directives in another country - which are often ignored, even with a powerful court in place - would be a small price to pay for retaining control over our crucial

getting the square back into play-

• Though his fortune has been

built on beef, Lord Vestey was for

many years a pig man. He kept

them in 2,200 square feet of Ems-

worthian splendour on his Stowell

Park estate in Gloucestershire. His

passion spent, however, Vestey has

chosen to convert the empty pig

sties into a craft and business

centre. For this, Vestey, who is not

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Batting on



Obscene prohibitions

at exactly is pornogra-phy? I ask, because it seems that there is more about it than ever, which in my innocent understanding must mean that there is more of the thing. Experts in these matters (I am not one) say that that is not true. and that pornography is waning, be-cause it is old bat and drugs have replaced porn. Still, pornography has certainly not disappeared entirely, as many a newsagents would confirm.

The word is very old indeed; it comes from the Greeks (shame on you, Greece, shame!) and our "porn" meant no more (though not less) than a harlot. "Pornography" was the inevitable straight noun, but "pornographer" naturally followed quickly, with "pornographic" and there is a touch of the porn-hauteur when we come to "pornocracy". (As for pornograph, it must have greyed many a sedate head, when an innocent music-lover put the next

There is soft porn, and hard porn (I experts, could be sure where the line is to be drawn. Indeed, I should think that no group of people gathering solemnly to discuss the grave matter of pornography would be able to get half a dozen experts in the matter to agree on anything about it, much less

come up with a conclusion. We must tread carefully here, if only because the law may be sniffing at our heels. The law tried to define pornography in 1959, and made a fool of itself. Such laws invariably do, and are largely ignored.

Try a bit For the purposes of this Act an article shall be deemed to be obscene if its effect or (where the article comprises two or more distinct items) the effect of any one of its Items is, if taken as a whole, such as to tend to deprave and corrupt persons who are likely, having regard to all relevant circumstances, to read, see or hear the matter contained or embodied in it.

That's nothing, I assure you; when they get into their stride, they can do this in less than a week:

Proceedings for an offence under this section shall not be instituted except by or with the consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions in any case where the article in question is a moving picture film of a width of not less than sixteen millimetres and the relevant publication or the only other publication which followed or could reasonCorrupting or releasing? The laws

against pornography are certainly absurd - but I'm glad I don't need it

ably have been expected to follow from the relevant publication took place or (as the case may be) was to take place in the course of a cinematograph

Incidentally, is there anyone left in the drafters' section who can still both read and understand what he is

But pornography is much wider than the nonsense that the law lays down and which, sensibly, is entirely ignored. There are, quite obviously, many people who enjoy the sexual thrill of pornography, most blatantly seen in the form of naked and seminaked beautiful la-

dies being ogled. But if I may tread for a moment on somewhat delicate ice, our dear sister The Sun never comes out unless there is a beautiful young lady clad in

nothing between the top of the edge of her panties and the top of her head. Is The Sun therefore a pur-veyor of pornography? And what about the News of the World, which lives in the same stable and eats the same straw? Does the nakedness of the ladies who are found in those papers make them pornographic? Certainly, they are fiercely de-nounced as such.

ery well; but if you say that both the papers in question are selling pornography you have said that approximately four million people are buying pornography six days a week, and another 42 million on Sundays. What is more, experts tell us that each copy of The Sun and News of the World is read by roughly two people. If those newspapers are pornographic, some eight or nine million people in this country are wallowing in pornography, which surely cannot be true. (My own nearest approach to depravity took place when I was innocently travelling in Europe. I was staying in an expensive hotel in Switzerland and at that time I had

never heard of those hotels - very swish ones, too - which include a pornographic section in their televisions. It was coyly tucked away, with a complicated patch of buttons to bring it out, and the only reason I didn't switch on was that my famous incompetence with machinery made t impossible.)

But what and who gets or gives in the matter of porn? Well, for a start. those poor women who pose for the blurred, cheap, horrible men who lick their lips and peer at what was once a - usually young - woman. But that won't do, for two reasons;

the first is, of course, that the women in the pictures are doing it for money, and would probably have none if they didn't participate. The second, is that and there it is very substantial evidence for it - many of the girls want

to pose in such surroundings.

Now, the argument takes over. Is pomography corrupting or releasing? We have a strange system with our films (well, most of us must think it strange): a man sits down and watches films, not because he is a film-buff but he is the man who tells us which films we may see, or at least tells young people which they may oot. Can we be sufficiently degraded that our nature changes, and for the worse, after seeing a dirty film? If so, can we be sufficiently elevated by seeing a film which has nothing but purity in it? Try as I may, I cannot see anyone being transformed into a St

George by watching a sufficiently soppy film. There are those who are sure that pornography is truly dangerous; one of these is a greatly committed Indian, Hamdy Shahein, who argues that adults can do what they like, but children should be guarded from pornography - a reasonable attitude. though I fear that children these days are themselves lusting for porno-graphic magazines. Mr Shahein points out that it is illegal for any

which WH Smith supplies to retailers. In the end, WH Smith agreed to allow newsagents to refuse to stock

WH Smith, of course, is buying and selling under the law, the ridiculous Obscene Publications Act, and I suppose that from time to time the owner of some scruffy corner thop is bunged up to show that Her Majesty's sniffers-out are on the job.

pornography damage hu-man beings? It is no use saying that the world is full of shamefulness and magazine is nothing, though it is true. The newsagents who peddle the stuff peddle it in the certainty that it is used for gloating over pictures that most of us would find disgusting. But what about the people who do not find it disgusting? Are there stages in this matter, so that from drooling over a luscious pair of breasts in a tabloid we go to the panting figure who suddenly opens his flies in the Tube when there is a young woman

opposite? Come back to the young woman who could get no employment other than posing horribly in the porn magazines. Has she been damaged? Is the prostitute damaged? Is the photographer who takes the pictures damaged? Turn it upside down: what about the decent men who cannot get decent satisfaction other than by using porn magazines?

The laws against pomography are ridiculous, as I have said, but they must have been put there for a reason. You can say that they might give children nightmares, but the laws are plainly for adults. It is true that at least half of our laws were invented on the principle of "Go and see what Johnny is doing and then tell him to stop", but there must be some sense in our courts.

shop to sell cigarettes to any person under 16 years, and he might add that there are films which it is illegal to show to those under 18. WH Smith fought a long battle against Mr Shahein over the question of whether soft pornographic magazines should be included compulsorily in the bundles

ut we come back to the question: leave out children and ask: does looking at wickedness beside which a dirty

On the whole, I think that pornography is loathsome, but for those who are old enough to buy it legally probably not very dangerous. Anyway, I don't need pornography - I've



Accidental Anderson and the blithely unaware Queen Noor

drinks bill, is to receive a £28,000 handout from the Rural Development Commission.

the sort who needs to blanche at a

First class

CLARENCE HOUSE is excited by the news that one of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother's favourite clerics is coming home. After 24 years in Manhattan, Canon John Andrew will be driven to the city's JFK airport in the official Rolls-Royce belonging to Sir John Weston, the British Ambassador to the UN. He will then board Concorde for the flight home, a trip paid for by friends, and from Heathrow he

will retire to Bath. Andrew is leaving St Thomas's, the smart Fifth Avenue Anglican church which has one of the richest which he has run with bombast. At a choir rehearsal once, he shouted to the organist: "What do you think am, a bloody canary?"

Liturgically, St Thomas's is high as a kite, but the pews are packed. It will be a duller place without Father John".

 Liverpool's Roman Catholics. still reeling from the posthumous attacks on Archbishop Derek Worlock, must brace themselves for more bad news. Their new Arch-bishop, Patrick Kelly, is a fan of Manchester United, Liverpool's arch-rivals and conquerors in the recent FA Cup Final. Even within Britain's Catholic hierarchy, Mgr Kelly must tread softly. His immediate boss, Cardinal Basil Hume, is a devoted fan of Newcastle Uni-ted, whom United beat to the Premiership title.

Bushy tale

BLUBBING Bill Clinton is embarrassing enough, but for real schmaltz, George Bush takes some beating. In a note to the newborn daughter of his friends Susan Molinari and Bill Paxon, Bush writes: Dear Susan Ruby Paxton lendearingly misspelt], I love you already and I haven't even seen you yet ... I am an old guy now. I am older congregations in the world, and than your granddad . . . You will

have an exciting life ahead, and I will be cheering for you all the way. Love, George Bush

"P.S. I used to be President of the United States - now I am a happy dad and granddad - that's it. That's the way it should be."

Letting rip

ROBUST underpants were all that saved Bruce Anderson, the substantially-built political pundit, from humiliation in Jordan recently. A few minutes before he was to be presented to King Husain and Oueen Noor, "The Brute" was bal-



ancing suavely on a wooden balcony at the royal palace. Summoned to the King's presence, he bounced to his feet. "Rrrrrip" went the seat

of his trousers. "I didn't have time to inspect the damage," he says of his nearmooning experience. "I had to bow to the King, and the worst was revealed. Luckily I was wearing a sturdy pair of underpants and the only people who saw them peeping through were the British MPs behind me - and I expect they have seen worse." Very unlikely.

Philip Howard



We like our literature digested from Don Quixote to Mary Poppins

ntellectual snobs deplore digests. We should read proper books, such nannies scold us, not the predigested extracts from and summaries of fashionable books from which The Reader's Digest makes its profits. In fact, not all digests are childsread, as he/she knows who has toiled through the original Digest of Roman Law. compiled for the Emperor Justinian (Forthemoney) by Tribo-

nian and his 16 assistants. Now high-minded Spaniards are deploring the decision of a publisher to cut out 54 of the 74 chapters of Don Quixote because they are boring. Perhaps it is a shame that this latest digest has lost Sancho Panza's term as Governor of Barataria, because it is early Private Eye satire of government. And it was hugely influential. What was the name of the Utopian kingdom of Gilbert and Sullivan's Gondoliers? Why, Barataria of course. And Don Quixote's muddle-headed fool with frequent lucid intervals fathered a dynasty of English rapscallion heroes. In the hoofprints of Rozinante staggering under the Knight of the Doleful Countenance, Tom Jones turn-bles and Mr Pickwick gets into scrapes that are social commentaries as well as funny. Sterne kept Don Quixote on his desk. beside the works of Shakespeare, and named his humorous parson Yorick. The picaresque novel, in which a lovable picaro or "rogue" proves wiser than the great and the good, flavoured the work of postrealist writers from Joyce to Borges and Nabokov. On the trail behind Don Quixote dances a subversive crew of madcaps that includes Huckleberry Finn,

Just William and (I would assert). Mary Poppins.
The digest of Don Quixote will beguile many to read the unabbreviated work, just as some readers of tabloids go on to grown-up newspapers. At the Criterion Theatre, the Reduced Shakespeare Company performs the 37 plays of Shakespeare in 97 minutes. It's great fun, and like lan McKellen's brilliant 1930-ish thriller of Rielion the Bard. But, "It is a pretty poem, Mr Pope, but you must not call it Homer."

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People have been digesting Shakespeare for centuries. for their own dramatic, political, moral and Bowdlerising reasons. That is how Thomas Bowdler made his name. "Nothing is added to the original text: but those words are omitted which cannot with pro-. priety be read aloud in a family." So Bowdler's Hamlet was a slim volume, though not as slim as a later digest:

Prince Hamlet thought Uncle a traitor: For having it off with his Mater: Revenge Dad or not?
That's the gist of the plot,
And he did — nme soliloquies later.

P.L. Travers, who died last month aged 96, so hated what the cinema did to Mary Poppins that she left instructions in her will that another film should never be made about the nanny she created. And indeed the film digest Disneyfied Julie Andrews as Poppins, substituting a little bit of sugar for the starch and quixotic subversiveness of the original. But, it won several Oscars and is still loved by children, some of whom will be drawn on to read the real thing in full. Like all picaresque classics, it is frightening and sad as well as magical and very funny. Mary Poppins continued to regard the four children searchingly. Then, with a long, loud sniff that seemed to indicate that she had made up her mind, she said: "I'll take the position." "For all the world," as Mrs Banks said to her husband later, as though she were doing us a signal honour." "Perhaps she is," said Mr Banks. Part of the timeless attraction of Mary Poppins is that she takes the middle-class English back to a vanished (and imaginary) world of pre-war security in the nursery, when there were muffins still for tea (after you had

washed your hands). The Jungle Book cartoon is another Disneyfication, though oothing like as successful as Mary Poppins. But many children still enjoy it and sing along with its vulgarisation. Some discover the magic and terror of Kipling's hard stuff between hard covers. The classics are big enough to survive digests, distortions and translations into other media. Sometimes the digests become classics in their own version, as has McKellen's Richard III. Let digests thrive. They are the sincerest form of

favourable review. .





CATTLE GRIDLOCK

All that Labour can do is limit the political damage

For years the Tories have been hoping for something to turn up—some 1996 version of the Falklands War, perhaps, that might revive their political fortunes. The beef war has now become that "something". It brings risks for John Major but the biggest loser could be the Labour Party - which is why Tony Blair seems so determined not to repeat the mistakes that Michael Foot made in 1982.

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Labour recalls how the Falklands affair began as bad news for the Government. The Foreign Office was blamed for failing to take notice of intelligence reports that the Argentinians were planning to invade. The Foreign Secretary and his deputy were forced to resign. At that stage, it seemed perfectly proper to find fault with the administration.

But war changed everything: once the task force had set sail, to criticise was tantamount to treason. Labour's less than wholehearted support for Mrs Thatcher (along with all the party's other problems) sealed its fate at the subsequent election.

So it could be with beef. Yes, the Government threw the beef industry into this mess by not taking BSE seriously enough at the start. Yes, the lack of a coherent line from ministers in the few weeks after the link between BSE and CJD was suggested helped to undermine consumer confidence. But for Labour leaders to say that they would not have started from here sounds irrelevant now. For Labour to suggest that the Government has not done enough to make British beef safe could now

be portrayed by the Tories as unpatriotic. Even to criticise the Government's noncooperation tactics might be to make Mr Foot's mistake. That is why Mr Blair, in Italy yesterday, was careful to promise not to undermine Mr Major's new policy; and to couch the lifting of the ban as a matter of national interest, not to be clouded by partisan considerations.

The whole affair, of course, is steeped in partisan politics. Britain's beef producers have become pawns in the two parties' election campaigns. Mr Major has taken this action to look tough, to unite his party, to win press support and to discomfort Labour. If the beel ban is indeed lifted, then his joy at the restoration of beef industry jobs will be far eclipsed by his delight at the transformation of his political prospects.

All that Labour can do is to cling to the Tories' tactics while they look likely to work in an attempt to neutralise any partisan effect that they might bave in the polls. Mr Blair can try to strengthen the war aims so that Mr Major will find it harder to claim a bogus victory. And he can detach himself from the government position if he senses that it is doing the Tories more harm than good. But this is all damage limitation; for Mr Major's ploy is a serious trap for Labour.

Mr Blair's difficulty is that much of the electorate and much of his party think that the policy of non-cooperation is wrong. At the moment, only Paddy Ashdown is representing this sizeable group of voters. Many of Mr Blair's colleagues will be tempted to undermine their leader by criticising the Government. Already Baroness Blackstone, in the Lords yesterday, has described the stance as "folly".

This is not a war: it is not even a phoney war. The normal considerations of national unity should not have to apply. But logic has little force in this base political manoeuvring. Although a few Tory Euro-enthusiasts have to hold their noses, they are prepared to do so because they are outnumbered in their own party. Mr Major's calculation is that more such enthusiasts sit on Labour's benches, and that they, as a majority in their party, will find it harder to support a Government and policy that they disdain. For the moment, Mr Blair has a harder hand to play than his

RUSSIAN REFORM

Yeltsin and Yavlinsky need to unite against Communism

Already the post-election bargaining has begun in Moscow. Grigori Yavlinsky, the boyish, charismatic leader of Russia's dwindling band of reformers, has offered President Yeltsin an informal alliance if he halts the war in Chechenia, sacks the unpopular Defence Minister, dismisses Viktor Chernomyrdin, the lacklustre Prime Minister, and commits himself wholeheartedly to further market reforms.

There is no chance that Mr Yeltsin will accept these demands by tomorrow, the deadline that Mr Yavlinsky has given him. But he has not rejected the document. He has announced a major shake-up in his Government, with hints that he may indeed dismiss Pavel Grachev if things continue as badly as now in Chechenia; and he is clearly positioning himself as leader of a broadbased anti-Communist front,

Mr Yavlinsky will not, at this stage, pull out of the election or conclude any formal deal. He is an astute politician and has served both Mikhail Gorbachev and Mr Yeltsin as economic adviser. He drew up. with the Harvard economist, Jeffrey Sachs, one of Russia's first market reform plans. He led the Yabloko bloc in the old Duma and made a name for himself as one of the Young Turks who has transformed the city of Nizhny Novgorod into a showcase for reform. He has youth, looks and brains on his side. Although Russian nationalists will never vote for him, liberals who, despite all the setbacks, want reform to continue, see him as the only credible candidate. He may

garner 10 per cent of the vote. An informal understanding with Mr Yeltsin at this stage would serve both men. The Russian leader is not yet assured of victory next month. Despite a remarkable recovery from last year's depths of unpopularity, he cannot be sure that the widespread anger at his Chechen policy, the entrenched sus-

picion of the West, growing disillusion with reform and popular hatred of the mafia millionaires will not deliver a substantial vote to Gennadi Zyuganov, his Communist opponent. Mr Yeltsin knows that this election, for millions of Russians and the outside world, is a stark choice: a return to old-fashioned Communism or a continuation of economic and political reform. The more that the contest is polarised, the more sense an anti-Communist coalition makes.

For Mr Yavlinsky it also makes sense. If he does a deal after the first round, he has a good chance of being appointed Prime Minister, and, given Mr Yeltsin's uncertain health, President-in-waiting. He would have to compete with rivals, principally Aleksandr Lebed, the popular former general who did poorly in the Duma elections but may still command the nationalist vote. He may find that General Korzhakov and others in Mr Yeltsin's self-seeking entourage have plans of their own. But he could safeguard the reforms, even in such a political hotch-potch.

These reforms are, at last, bearing fruit. Russians are much given to complaining, to anathematising change and to dismissing apparent success as a trick or fraud. But privatisation has now gone so far that every shopper, every provincial town, is beginning to glimpse the better life. Small businesses are booming. The harshest times are past, and provided that the mafia-controlled monopolies can be broken. Russia has an opportunity to experience the sort of boom that Eastern Europe has seen.

Mr Yavlinsky cannot expect an immediate answer from Mr Yeltsin. His demands are high; his deadline is opportunistic, even impudent. But he would surely add to Mr Yeltsin's appeal. He would bring back some of the President's early reforming credibility. They should do a deal.

BLOW-OUT

A diplomat is a dainty eater sent to lunch out for his country

Two heavyweight statesmen ate for their countries yesterday. When President Clinton took Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor, out to lunch at a Milwaukee German restaurant, the White House described their meeting as a summit. Less diplomatic sauces called it "the nosh of the century".

Both men are famous for their appetites as well as their power. Both have been known to refuel with buns or hamburgers even after the obstacle courses of a state banquet. Mr Clinton has a passion for Big Macs. In Primary Colours, the Clintons' roman à clef, lack of discipline is symbolised by craving for doughnuts. Herr Kohl is so fond of the cooking of his homeland, Rhineland Palatmate, that he once entertained Margaret Thatcher with pig's stomach (as well as much else). She tried to hide the bits she

could not face beneath her knife and fork. As the two world trenchermen munched through their cholesterol yesterday, each had a hidden menu. Milwaukee is the home of a huge German-American population and Mr Clinton needs to win Milwaukee in November. Herr Kohl wants to explain Europe's objections to proposed American legislation imposing sanctions on those who trade with Iran. Since Germany trades with Iran. Herr Kohl hopes to persuade a replete President that trade moderates extremism.

Dinner moderates diplomacy. It is nothing but the continuation of politics by other means, such as Hollandaise sauce. If jawjaw is better than war-war, who cares whether the jaws are waffling or chomping? And hospitality to important strangers is one of the oldest rules of diplomatic man. To eat a man's salt creates a sacred bond between host and guest. Official eating is a means of display, flattery and national propaganda. State visitors to Britain at present invariably find Aberdeen Angus on the menu, and at the press conference afterwards are asked pointedly how they enjoyed

A diplomatic menu can be table d'hôte as well as d la carte. Guests at state banquets with famous poisoners - Nero, say, or the Borgias - took their own diplomatic doggy bags. Similarly, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, trained on expensive boarding-school cooking, had a waterproof pocket in his tails for the disposal of state cooking. But, for the most part, the great ones of the world are seldom so harmlessly employed as when they are opening their mouths and stuffing fine food in them. We would like to have wished Mr Clinton and Herr Kohl bon appetit. But they have already finished and, even if they have not, it would be

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From the Home Secretory

Sir, Lord Ackner (letter, May 20) accuses me of amnesia. Let me remind him of what my White Paper sets out to do, rather than what he claims it sets out to do.

There is incontrovertible evidence that our current sentencing arrangements fail to protect the public from repeat sexual or violent offenders whose determinate sentences release them back into the community while they are still dangerous.

Of 217 offenders convicted of a second serious violent or sexual offence in 1994, only ten received a life sentence. In other words, in 207 cases the courts denied the Parole Board or anyone else any opportunity to protect the public from a violent criminal who had already proven that prison was likely to be only a temporary interruption to their assaults. Moreover, around 40 serious violent or sexual crimes in 1994 were committed by of-fenders who had already been con-

victed of a second such offence.

I believe that the public need much greater protection from these dangerous and persistent offenders. I am sorry if Lord Ackner disagrees.

Yours sincerely.
MICHAEL HOWARD, Home Office, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, SWI.

From Mr Neville Goldrein

Sir, I am not convinced by the Lord Chief Justice's broad generalisation, in his article today, that "those who actually work in the system - lawyers, judges, probation and prison of-ficers - are clear" that the Home Secretary's proposals on sentencing will

Lord Taylor of Gosforth says, quite rightly, that individual crimes "vary almost infinitely, as do individual criminals". One problem is that the judges vary similarly, leading perforce to an infinite variety in sentencing. This is one of the reasons for the differential in sentences for similar crimes which so disturbs the public.

He concentrates substantially on the proposed minimum sentence for the third burglary, "however modest the value of the theft". For the burgled householder, the invasion of privacy. the vandalism, the interference with personal and sentimental items. whether his goods are stolen or not, is always traumatic. And it is incorrect say that "no account would be taken of whether the criminal was before the court for three offences or 30", or whether they "involved sophisticated planning or drunken opportunism". The proposals only involve a mandatory minimum and so if the trial judge were to consider the burglary to have been more serious than would warrant a three-year "real-time" sentence, be would still have the discretion to

impose a longer sentence.

My experience as a solicitor over many years is that the penalty, if real, is just as much a deterrent as the fear of detection. One of the current problems with burglary is that the criminal knows that the penalty, with remission, would be fairly short-term, and so it is worth the risk.

Lord Taylor suggests that the minimum sentence for a third burglary would be longer than the current average sentence for serious crimes of violence, including rape. This surely confirms that the current sentences im-posed by the judges for such offences are far too low in so many instances. Lord Taylor considers the views of

the judiciary and its dislike of any fetter on its discretion. The Home Secretary takes into account the view of the general public - the victims of the burglaries. Surely it would be better to enable the Home Secretary's propos-als to proceed. They may well work the present system certainly does not.

I am, Sir, yours truly, NEVILLE GOLDREIN, Torreno, Si Andrew's Road, Blundelisands, Liverpool. May 23.

Gay clergy

From the Reverend Steve Allen

Sir. A former Archbishop of Canterbury has revealed that he has sometimes acted in a "don't want to know way" when interviewing prospective ordinands (report, May 16). This is an admission of a gross neglect of duty.

In the ordination service the bishop

says to the congregation: Those whose duty it is to inquire about these persons and examine them have found them to be of godly life." On the basis of this examination he then asks the congregation if it is their will that he proceed with the ordination.

It would appear from what Lord Runcie now says that there were times when his examination was less than thorough. One wonders just how much our bishops and those who advise them can be trusted in this particular matter.

Yours faithfully, STEVE ALLEN, 30 Bartle Close, Great Horton. Bradford, West Yorkshire. May 17.

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Sentencing reform Labour policies under close scrutiny

From the Reverend Stephen Jones

Sir, Jill Sherman, your Chief Poliocal Correspondent, is absolutely right (report, May 16) in saying that the "per-sonality splits" among the leading lights in the Labour Party "hide dam-aging divisions over policy that will become more exposed in the run-up to

the general election". The Labour Party is seriously torn between the imperative of winning power and doing what it was established to do, namely, to protect working people and enhance their rights and status.

This dichotomy is highlighted by a lack of clarity over child and unemployment benefit, taxation, rail privatisation, education and health, as Ms Sherman explains; and Labour only appears to be relatively united over Europe because the Conservatives are even more divided.

I shall vote Labour in the general

election, not out of any great confi-dence or expectation, but because I cannot consider voting for either of the

I suppose I am middle-class - one of those whose votes Labour needs — but I reckon it will be a miracle if Labour wins a second term. Then, along with many others, I shall be left wondering where all the compromises and changes of heart over the past decades have got us.

Yours faithfully, STEPHEN JONES, 30 North Road, Carnforth, Lancashire, May 16.

From Ms Fran Bennett

Sir, Paul Barker's article, "Why child benefit is special" (May 17), was a timely reminder of the fact that child benefit is a direct descendant of child tax allowances as well as of a benefit, the family allowance.

This family tree is important because it tells us that child benefit has multiple functions. It is the benefit which reaches those poverty-stricken families that means-tested benefits despite being designed specifically for them - do not reach.

It acts as a form of savings bank, redistributing resources over the family lifecycle to the time when income tends to be lower relative to expenditure. It does not contribute to the unemployment and poverty traps.

But, above all, it is the only mechanism we now have for recognising the fact that families with children, at whatever income level, have a lower "taxable capacity" than those without. This is recognised in parliamentary answers, in which child benefit is set

against tax, as a tax credit. The implications are simple. We have many different ways in which to redirect money from the better-off to

poorer families. We now only have one way in which to adjust the tax burden between those without and those with children. Somehow, we seem to need regular reminders of this crucial

Yours faithfully, FRAN BENNETT. 60 St Bernard's Road, Oxford.

From Sir John Walley

Sir, Nearly thirty years have gone by since (on December 11, 1967) the then Editor of The Times gave me the chance of putting forward the case for a universal child benefit which would, at little net cost, replace the existing expensive muddle of child support arrangements and tax allowances and be more valuable to parents.

There was nothing party-political about the proposal. How it fared under the Wilson and Callaghan Governments is fascinatingly described in Paul Barker's article. The story is not a credit to these Governments and I hope that a new Labour Chancellor will not follow them in thinking that this is a field in which financial savings can be looked for.

Yours truly, JOHN WALLEY (Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Social Security, 1958-66), Brookland House, 24 High Street, Cottenham, Cambridgeshire.

From Ms Lilli Matson

Sir. It would be wrong to be overly gloomy about Labour's transport proposals regarding road pricing and car taxation (report, May 17). It should be remembered that while the real costs of public transport fares have increased over the last ten years, the costs of driving have fallen.

As our congested cities slowly suffocate and the tranquillity of the countryside is destroyed by traffic noise, it is fair to ask how many people actualbenefit from the status quo, indeed, for the quarter of the population without a car, it is likely that things are getting steadily worse.

It is a classic tenet of transport pollcy that change can only be brought about with a mixture of "carrot and stick" measures. Unless we are brave enough to face the issue of how cheap it is to move around by car, we can expect our nation's roads to grind to a halt, while our transport needs go unmet.

LILLI MATSON (Transport campaigner), Council for the Protection of Rural England. Warwick House. 25 Buckingham Palace Road, SWI. May 17.

Literary twinning

From Ms Cynthia Gamble

Sir. Your leading article of May 17. Fair exchanges", illustrated in a most moving, poignant and vivid way the long-lasting value of Anglo-French pupil exchanges, and in particular cited the example of Jacques Chirac.

I myself was profoundly influenced by my first visit to France when I was a pupil at a country school, Bridgnorth Grammar School, in Shropshire. My profound love of France and subsequent teaching career emanates from that first critical visit and the warm reception I received.

Probably the most recent Anglo-French town twinning is that between Coniston in Cumbria and Illiers-Combray in Eure et Loire. This jumelage was finalised last February, when the Mayor of Illiers-Combray and representatives came to Coniston to sign

ready taken place between the John Ruskin School, Coniston, and the Collège Marcel Proust in Illiers-Combray. The twinning of these two small towns, associated with these two great writers, owes its success to the commitment and enthusiasm of the twinning committees and all the local people.

CYNTHIA GAMBLE (Head, European Relations), University of East London. May 20.

Lively Lowestoft

From Mr David Porter, MP for Waveney (Conservative)

Sir. It's a pity that your reporter who wrote the story of the ending of the twinning links between Lowestoft and Katwijk (May 23) didn't do a bit more research into the attractions of Lowestoft as a tourist area.

Lowestoft is the most easterly point of the British Isles, and the South Beach is a national award-winning area. There are parks, gardens, sports facilities, the full range of camping and hotel accommodation to compare with anywhere and for all ages, and we have the only adventure park in East Anglia.

Lowestoft is where the Broads meet the sea and, as its native-born and bred Member of Parliament, I challenge your reporter to see our charms for himself before writing anything else disparaging.

Yours faithfully, DAVID PORTER, House of Commons. May 23.

Please hold . . .

From Mr K. N. Bladon

Sir, I too dislike telephone queueing systems. The trouble with Mr Harry Cooksley's solution [letter, May 16; other letters, May 13, 22] is that companies are quite happy to ignore faxes and posted letters as well.

The system I like least is that which to host it. tells you at half-minute intervals you are no further up the queue. Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely, K. N. BLADON, 57 Little Hill Way, South Woodgate, Birmingham.

the twinning agreement with their Lakeland counterparts. Pupil and staff exchanges have al-

I think that both Ruskin and Proust would have approved.

Duncan House, High Street, E15.

Napoleon III's dentist

From Dr P. M. E. Drury

Sir, Howard Davies says, in his review of Beth Archer Brombert's biography of Edouard Manet (May 16], that the main claim to fame of the American dentist Thomas W. Evans was that he "looked after Napoleon III's teeth.

He did have other claims. Following his demonstrations of nitrous oxide anaesthesia in London in March 1868 its use became generally established. Furthermore, he accompanied the Empress Eugénie on her escape from Paris to England in September 1870, the journey being described in some detail in his memoirs.

Yours truly P. M. E. DRURY. 80 Green Lane, Liverpool 18. May 19.

Bowie and Genet

From Mr Alan Read

Sir. David Bowie has not "received a rebuff from the Institute of Contemporary Arts" (Diary, May 10). He is a very welcome contributor to our three day event, "Incarcerated with Artaud and Genet", and his installation made for the Nash Room will be seen by all who visit the ICA.

David Bowie never intended to give a lecture" (he is on tour at the time of the event) but if be should wish to in the future we would be delighted

ALAN READ (Director of Talks). Institute of Contemporary Arts, The Mall, SWI. May 16.

V&A extension a site for sore eyes?

From Mr Richard Weston

Sir, As a practitioner and supporter of modern architecture I rarely find my-self agreeing wholeheartedly with Britain's heritage lobby, but the proposed extension to the Victoria and Albert Museum (report and photo-graph, May 18) is clearly a carbuncle too far.

ff the V&A's Director thinks that it will do for London what the Eiffel Tower did for Paris, perhaps he might like to consider Eiffel's belief that his tower would "have its own beauty" because it conformed to "the first principle of architectural beauty - that the essential lines of a construction be determined by a perfect appropriateness to its use. Daniel Libeskind's exten-sion presumably "works", but it does its best to look as if it couldn't.

The so-called deconstructivism promoted by many American intellec-tuals, of whom Mr Libeskind appears to be one, is not about beauty, but expresses the belief that, after the Holocaust, man must be "decentred" as the subject of architecture.

In a forthcoming book on Modern-ism I sum up this Post-Modern cult of "violated perfection" as an architecture "designed to discomfort - physically, perceptually and intellectually. These architects appear deeply serious about their work, and there are niche markets worldwide for such delights: but not, let us pray, in South

Here, surely, is a worthy cause for the Prince of Wales. For all our sakes I hope he will take up his lance and go

Yours faithfully, RICHARD WESTON (Director). Radiant World. 57 Lamborne Road, Leicester.

From Lord Armstrong of Ilminster

Sir. The trustees of the V&A welcome public discussion of Daniel Libes-kind's exciting design concept for the new building, which we hope to be able to put up on the Boilerhouse Yard site, but would like there to be no misunderstanding about the type of con-

struction envisaged. It will not be a glass building, as you reported. The design concept envisages a space which will be largely glass on the top of the building at the back, looking out towards the Pirelli Gardens, which could house observation, information and restaurant facilities for visitors; but the main construction of the building would be intended to be of a solid material with an external cladding, possibly of tiles. That is what will be seen from Exhibition Road.

Yours faithfully, ARMSTRONG of ILMINSTER (Chairman, Board of Trustees). Victoria and Albert Museum. South Kensington, SW7.

From Mr A. J. Colbert

Sir, The appearance of the proposed Victoria and Albert Museum extension may horrify many but will not shock teachers who have seen national curriculum technology models completed in great baste by disaffect-ed pupils who arrived late for the

Yours sincerely, A. J. COLBERT. 25 Leigh Road. Walsall, West Midlands. May 18.

Crumbling gravestones From Mr Arthur S. Daniels

Sir, I was pleased to read your report (May 20) that thousands of inscriptions from crumbling gravestones are being recorded before they are lost to

vandals and to the elements. In 1980 I participated in the recording of all those memorial inscriptions which were legible - and noted the locations of those which were not - in the Lower Arrow Valley in Warwickshire. Subsequent observation has revealed the alarming rate at which many of them have become unread-

Elemental forces are largely to blame; but destruction is being wrought as much by the grass-cutter and the tidy-minded as by vandalism: how urgent it is, then, that a proper re-cord be established.

Our records, which are lodged in school and public libraries, with local clergy and at our county records office, have proved invaluable for the study of family history.

Yours faithfully, A. S. DANIELS (Committee member, Alcester and District Local History Society), Rose Cottage, High Street, Studley, Warwickshire.

Time and money

From Mr Daniel Snowman Sir, "After 170 years of uselessness and £100,000 of refurbishment, the Government is at last proposing to do something with Marble Arch" (leading article, May 21).

know it seems they have been there a long time. But that long? And spent so little on themselves?

Yours faithfully, DANIEL SNOWMAN. 46 Molyneux Street, W1. May 21.



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Edinburgh.

Her Royal Highness later visited

Mid Craigie Parish Church,

Dundee, and was received by Her

Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the

City of Dundee (Mr Mervyn Rolf,

The Princess Royal afterwards

visited the Schools Out Project at

Broughty Ferry West Church. Her Royal Highness this eve

ning watched Beating Retreat at the Palace of Holyroodhouse by

pupils of Scottish schools and

subsequently attended a

The Princess Royal later gave a

Dinner at the Palace of

May 23: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Norfolk and was

received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk

In the morning His Royal High-ness opened the Wymondham

Bridewell, Norwich Road.

In the afternoon The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the

Order of St John, was present at a St John Ambulance training

demonstration at Snetterton Race

The Duchess of Gloucester to-

day visited Royal Air Force Cranwell, Sleaford, and was re-

ceived on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Lincolnshire (Mrs Bridget Cracroft-Eley).

Field Marshal Sir Peter Inge, Chief of

the Defence Staff, was the host at a luncheon given by the Ministry of Defence yesterday at Admiralty House in honour of the Chief of the

Defence Staff German Armed Forces.

M Dominique Moisi, Deputy Direc-tor of the Institut Français des Relations Internationales (IFRI), was

the guest of honour and speaker at a luncheon held yesterday at Dartmouth House. Mr Walter Lessing, Chairman of the club, presided.

Guild of Editors
Mr John Griffth, President of the
Guild of Editors, and Mr Bob
Satchwell, chairman of the guild's

parliamentary and legal committee were the hosts at a luncheon held yesterday at Bloomsbury House in honour of Mr Peter Mandelson, HM

Opposition spokesperson for the Duchy of Lancaster.

Mid Atlantic Club

Circuit, Spetterton.

KENSINGTON PALACE

(Sir Timothy Colman KG).

he Lord Provost).

Holyroodhouse.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE . May 23: The Duke of Edinburgh today visited Greater Manchester and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant (Colonel John Timmins).

His Royal Highness this morning visited the University of fordis2

The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Life Member, later attended the Fiftieth Anniversary Luncheon of the Manchester Naval Officers' Association at Manchester Town

His Royal Highness this afternoon visited Heathlands, Jewish Homes for the Aged, Prestwich,

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron. Royal Engineer Yacht Club, this evening attended a Dinner to mark the One Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the Club at Brompton Barracks, Chatham,

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were represented by Mr Archibald Mackenzie (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Dunbartonshire) at the Memorial Service for Brigadier Alastair Pearson for-merly Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Dunbartonshire) which was held in Glasgow Cathedral this

afternoon. The Prince of Wales was represented by Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Gray.

ST JAMES'S PALACE May 23: The Prince of Wales this afternoon gave a Reception for stallholders from Croydon and

His Royal Highness this evening gave a Reception for members of the Polish Ex-Combatants PALACE OF

HOLYROOOHOUSE May 23: The Princess Royal, Lord High Commissioner to the Gen-

Today's royal

Luncheons

HM Government engagements HM Government
Mr Jeremy Hanley, Minister of State
for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was the host at a luncheon
given by Her Majesty's Government
at Lancaster House vesterday in
honour of the Foreign Minister of the
Maldives. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit Heathrow Airport at 11.30 to mark its liftieth anniversary and the redevelop-Ministry of Defence

The Princess Royal, as Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, will visit Donaldsons College, West Coates, at 10.40; will visit Lady Haig's Poppy Factory. The Royal British Legion, Logie Green Road, Edinburgh, at 11,35; will visit McLean Primary School, Baldridgeburn Road, Dunfermline, at 3.15; will visit St Ninian's Church, Allan Crescent, at 4.00; and will visit Rosyth Parish Church, Main Street, at 4,30.

Legal appointment

Mr David John Lipman to be a District Judge on the Midland and Oxford Circuit.

Today's birthdays

Sir James Anderton, former Chief Constable, Greater Manchester, 04; Mr Stanley Baxter, comedian, 70; the Duke of Bedford, 79; Sir Timothy Bevan, former chairman, Barclays Bank, 69; Mr Keith J. Budge, Headmaster, Loretto School, 39; Lord Campbell of Alloway, QC, 79; Mr Eric Cantona, footballer, 30; Sir Roden Cutler, VC, diplomat, 80; Mr Bob Dylan, singer, 55; Mr Peter Grif-fiths, MP, 68: Miss Kathleen Hale, author and illustrator, 98; Mr B.L. Hallward, former Vice-Chancellor, Nottingham University, 95; Dame Joan Hammond, opera and concert singer, 84; Mr Robert Hastie, Lord-Lieutenant of West Glamorgan, 63; Sir Terence Hei-ser, civil servant, 64: Sir Derek

Hodgson, former High Court judge, 79; Baroness Hollis of Heigham, 55; Mr Clifford Irving, former chairman, executive cour cil. Isle of Man Government, 82: Mr Christopher Jackson, former MEP, 61; Mrs Liz McColgan, athlete, 32: Colonel John Mayo, director-general. Help the Aged 65; Mr Adrian Moorhouse, swimmer, 32; Mr Tony Mullett, former director-general. National Crim-inal Intelligence Service, 63; Mr Steven Norris, MP, SI; Mr Richard Steven Nortis, MP, SI; Mr Richard
Ottaway, MP, SI; Mr Luke Rittiner,
former secretary-general, Arts
Council of Great Britain, 49; Sir
Edmund Sargant, solicitor, 90;
Lord Justice Staughton, 63; Mr
William Trevor, writer, 68; Mr Arnold Wesker, playwright, 64: the Earl of Woolton, 38.

BIRTHS

SEESDEM - On May 20th 1996 at The Portland Hospital to James A. and Christie C., a beautiful daughter, Sydney Anne Celestine at 2:29 am

TUBBING - On 16th May 1996 at The John Redchife Hospital Oxford, to Morien (afe Trency) and Ben, a beautiful daughter, Ketle Maria Jacoba, a sister for Alice. Deo Gratias.

Whight - On 19th May 1996, to Vicky Take Fullerton) and Maxwell, a son, William Alexander, a brother for Charlotte and

DEATHS



Pat Lapham, co-ordinator of volunteers, working on the brickwork of a loth-century cottage that is being rebuilt brick by brick at the Chiltern Open Air Museum, Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire. Volunteers expect to take two years to rebuild the cottage which originally stood on the site of the Queen Mary Reservoir near Shepperton Studios, Surrey, but was moved from there in 1920

Dinners

Loriners' Company
King Husain of Jordan, accompanied
by Queen Noor, were the guests of
honour at a livery dinner of the
Loriners' Company held last night at
the Mansion House and was received
by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, Mr John FS. Northcott, Master presided The Lord Mayor King ter, presided. The Lord Mayor. King Husain and Mr John Bischoff, Upper Warden, also spoke. Among others

present were:
The Masters of the Vininers', Barbers',
Saddiers', Painter-Stainers' and Gold,
and Silver Wyre Drawers' Companies,
Captain Mark Phillips, the Canadian
Defence Adviser and the Mayor of
Lake Havasu City, Arizona. HM Lord High Commissioner The Princess Royal. Her Majesty's Lord High Commissioner of the

General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, gave a dinner last night at the Palace of Holyroodhouse. Among

the Palace of Holyroodhouse. Among those present were:
Mr Donald and Lady Cecil Cameron, Ms Jan Clayton. Dr and Mrs John Cormack, Mr Gordon and Mrs Altson Davies, Mr and Mrs Brian Hammond, Mrs Geraldine Peacock. Professor Chris Rojek, Mr and Mrs Altstair Robertson. Ine Rev Tom and Mrs Scott, Dr and Mrs Andrew Welr, Professor and Mrs Bryan Williams and Mr and Mrs Colin Williams. Leeds Philharmonic Society The Lord Moyor and Lady Mayoress of Leeds attended a dinner held last

night at the Civic Hall, Leeds, to mark the 125th anniversary of the Leeds Philharmonic Society. The Countess of Harewood, president, was in the chair, Mr David Lloydlones and Mr John Brodwell, honor ary secretary, also spoke. Fruiterers' Company Mr M.J. Tanguy, Master of the

Mr M.J. Tanguy, Master of the Fruiterers' Company, presided, assisted by the Wardens at the annual audit court dinner held last night at Barber-Surgeons' Hall, Professor G.R. Dixon, Professor of Horticulture at Strathclyde University, and Mr E.C. Dilley also synke. E.C. Dilley also spoke.

Service dinners

HMS Marlborough Admiral Sir Jeremy and Lady Black. Lieutenant-General Sir Anthony Mullens and Vice-Admiral and Mrs Millions and vice-Admiral and Mrs J.R. Brigstocke were among the guess at a dinner held last night onboard HMS Marlborough in Portsmooth Naval Base to mark the 290th anniversary of the Battle of Ramillies. Captain J.F. Rodley presided.

Capitain J.F. Rolley presided.
HAC Active Officers
Active Officers of the Honourable
Artillery Company dined last night at
Armoury House. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Lalor, Commanding Officer, presided. General Sir Michael Wilkes, Colonel Commandant, General Sir Jeremy Mackenzie. Lieutenant-General Hew Pike, MajorGeneral Geoffrey Field, MajorGeneral Timothy GranvilleChapman, Major-General lain
Mackay-Dick and Sir Moray Stewart
were among those present.
31st Signal Regiment (Volunteers)
Lieutenant-Colonel R.T. Weston.
Commanding Officer of the 31st Signal
Regiment (Volunteers), was the host
at the Mayor Malking dinner held last
night at Southfields Territorial Army
Centre. The Mayor of Wandsworth,
the Mayor and Mayoress of Kensing-Wilkes, Colonel Commandant, Gen-

the Mayor and Mayoress of Kensing-ton and Chelsea and the Mayor and Mayoress of Croydon attended.

School news

Eton College The following boys have been The following boys have been elected to King's Scholarships:
H.E.F. Smith [Horris Hill], A.H.L. Fisher (Milbourne Lodge), R.M.D.W. Gilbert (Ludgove), E.T. Brims (Elstree), A.O. Hussain (King's Coltege School, K.E.K.Y. Lam (Sunningdale), P.A.H. Thomas (Beechwood Park), P.H.Q. de Wilde (Summer Fields), M.T. MacDonald (Newland House), M.J. Pannenhelm (Dolohlin MacDonald (Newland House),
M.J. Pappenhelm (Dolphin
School, G.W.A. Horton (Cathedral
Choir School, Ripon). S.A.E.
Molyneux-Webb (Dragon School),
M.E. Overton (Haileybury Junior
School), G.S.J. Hilchcock (St
George's, Windsor and Eton
College).

George's, College). The following boys have qualified The following boys have qualified for the otle Oppidan Scholar:

F.J. Eckersley (Ludgrove), M.J.S. Beith (Westminster Under School), T.S. Carroll (Milbourne Lodge and Eton. Collegel, C.D.A. Wright (Caldloon), G.A.D., McDonald (Wellesley House), The Annah Shaw Scholarship: N.W.H. Colion (Milbourne Lodge), The Oppidan Exhibition: J.A.D. Miklel-Hunter (Milbourne Lodge).

Tonbridge School Academic Scholarships 1996

Scholarships have been awarded to the following (in order of merit): I Richard Owen, Vinehall; 22hern Majoe, Holmewood House; 3 Thomas Latter, Holmewood House; 4 Andrew Rowson, Hitden Grange; \$ Stuart Cook, The New Beacon; 6 Alastair Jamieson, The New Beacon; 6 Alastair Jamieson, The New Beacon; 7 Manhew Train, Holmewood House; 8 Jamie McKerchar, Aberdour; 9 Paul Chisbick, Vinehall; 10 Daniel Stevens, Holmewood House; 11 Hugo Bush, Aldro; 12 Daniel Caines, The New Beacon; 13 James Barnard, Yardley Court; 14 Thomas Lawes, Holmewood House; 15 William Waiter, The New Beacon; 16 Owaln Shave, Feitonfieet; 17 Ben Sheffield, St Bede's; 18 Jonathan Hollis, Papplewick; 19 David Anderson, Bickley Park; 20 Rhys Evans, Scholarships have been awarded

Brigadier Alastair Pearson

The Queen was represented by Mr Archibald MacKenzie, Vice Lord-

Licutenant of Dunbartonshire, at a

memorial service for Brigadier

Alastair Pearson held yesterday in

Glasgow Cathedral. The Prince of

Wales was represented by Lieuten-ant-General Sir Michael Gray.

The Very Rev Dr William J. Morris, KCVO, Minister of Glas-

gow Cathedral and Dean of the

Chapel Royal in Scotland, offici-ated, assisted by the Rev Ken Russell, Minister of Jamestown Parish Church. The Rev James

Smith, Lieutenant-Colonel Steven

D. Cave and Mr lain Stuart, son-in-law, read the lessons. Colonel Alan G. Rutherford read from

John Bunyan's The Pilgrim's

General Sir Geoffrey Howlett, Mr Miles Stuart, grandson, Mrs Fiona Stuart, daughter, and Mr T. Wallace McKie paid tribute.

Progress.

Calls to the Bar Easter term 1996: Call Day May 23

Lincoln's Inn Wellington College, Crowthorne, Berkshire

The following Scholarships and Exhibitions have been awarded in

The Wellesley Scholarship and Major Music Scholarship: Tom Ohia, Milbourne Lodge School.

The Benson Scholarship: Nicolas Gallapher, Caldicott.

The Fisher Scholarship: John Percival, Yateley Manor. The West Scholarship: Danlel West Papplewick.

Eagle House.
An Open Scholarship: Luke Fenn.
Eagle House.
An Open Scholarship for merit in
Science and Art James Williams.
Aldro School.

Aldro School.
Continuation Scholarship: Robert
Hemsley. Eagle House.
The Art Scholarship: Carl Ambrus,
King's House. Richmond.

Exhibitions: Alexander Mitchell.
Crosfields: Ian Barker for merit in
Maths, SI Andrew's, Pangbourne;
Ewan Gorford. Eagle House;
Andrew Poole for merit in
Languages, Yateley Manor;
Amreet Rai, Aldro School; Simon
Petri, Yateley Manor.

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Jonior Scholar from Eagle House:
Casey Harwood, Eagle House.
Academic Awards for Girls Joining
the Sixth Form Victoria Heathcone, Haberdashers' Monmouth
School: Joanna Henry. Bodmin
Community College: Sophie
Coiller, Rendcomb College.
Sixth Form Masic Scholarship:
Anionia Finch. Licensed
Victualiers' School, Ascot.

Wellington College is a Registered

Charity which exists to provide

Brigadier Donald Hardie, Lord-

Licutenant of Dumbartonshire delivered the Eulogy. Mrs Francesca Wood, contralto,

sang Lilac Time, I can give you Starlight, The White Cliffs of Dover and Lili Morlene. Pipe Major David Ritchie, 297

Battery, 105 AD Regiment, RA (V)

played Brigadier Alastair Pearson

The Secretary of State for Scot-

land was represented by Sir Rus-sell Hillhouse, Permanent Under-

Secretary of State for Scotland, and the Parachute Regiment by Lieutenant-General Sir Rupert

Smith, General Officer Command-

ing, Northern Ireland.
The Lord Provost of Glasgow, the Provost of Dumbarton, the

Provost of Clydebank, Mr and Mrs David Covell, Mr and Mrs Randal Stewart (step-brothers-in-

law and step-sisters) and many other friends attended.

and Flowers of the Forest.

education.

Memorial service

Richard Morrison ship: Benedict Lewsley.

H O A Scott, Liversedge, West Yorkshire; A R Marican, Singapore: R A Williams. Wolverhamp-ton: S Finn, Manchester: J O Garrood, London W9; Mulgrew, Gateshead; L Figgest, Lytham, Lancashire; R W Newcombe, Barnet, Hertfordshire; Dr C B Seymour, Dundrum, Dublin, an Irish barrister: O P Davies, Radyr, Cardiff, a former solicitor, Miss M Clark, London WS, a New Zealand barrister.

P Narayanan, Madras, India Miss A J McCrory, London Ni6; Mrs A G Aniao, Victoria, Seychelles: T K Mukherjee, London N4; J S Canepa, Gibraltar; C B Austin, St Brelade, Jersey; R Collins, Stoke Bishop, Bristol.

Middle Temple

M B Browne, Presion, Lancashire; W J Morris, Learnington Spa, Warwickshire: Dr K Holland-Elliott, Boughton, Kent: P J Kelly Blackrock, Co Dublin, Eire; P E Wightman, East Grinstead, West Sussex: Miss K K Khubchand-Daswani, Gibraltar, Miss A C Wetherfield, Richmond, Surrey, P A Caulfield, Whitley Bay, Tyne & Wear, F P O'Dubhghaill, Barrister of Ireland, Glencorrig, Gloumhuane, Cork, Miss L A O'Sullivan, Barrister of Ireland, Tivoli, Cork: S O'Donovan, Bar-rister of Ireland, Ovens, Cork: Miss A Lindsay, Barrister of Ireland, Cork, J J Lucey, Barrister of Ireland, Cork.

Gray's Inn A F Marshall, Farnborough, Hampshire: D J James, Knaresborough, Yorkshire; T J Howard, East Boldon, Tyne and Wear: C W P R Evans, Hadfield, via Hyde, Cheshire; S A H Roy, Camden, London; F P O Wiley, Westminster, London; K R Molloy, Belfast; C R Made, Newton R W T Real Myles, Nottingham; R W T Beel, Hong Kong; J C McCrudden. Oxford; N M Tatlow, a former solicitor, Stoke oo Trent: Chi Keung Wilfred Tsui. Shatin. Hong Kong.

Reception

To Professor Dr Hans Kung Sir Sigmund Sternberg and the Revd Dr John Bowden held a reception at the Reform Club yesterday to mark the publication of Yes to a Global Ethic by Professor Dr Hans Kung.

Latest wills

Mr Paul Clark-Eddington. of Londoo SEI, Paul Eddington, the actor, left estate valued at £237,715

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.C. Aston and Miss A.R. Thomas The engagement is announced between Philip Charles, son of the Revd and Mrs Glyn Aston, of Gwernesney, Monmouthshire, and Alison Rose, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Rees Thomas, of Croesyceiliog, Torfaen. Mr P.M. Boyle

and Miss J. Brierly The engagement is announced between Patrick, third son of Mr and Mrs R.H.M. Boyle, of Millport, Isle of Cumbrae, and Jane, youngest daughter of the late Mr P.T. Brierly and of Mrs K. Brierly, of Upminster. Essex.

Mr S.J. Bright and Miss H.I.P. Barker The engagement is announced between Steven, son of Mr and Mrs John Bright, of Eltham. Greenwich, and Harriet, daughter of Rev and Mrs Julian Barker, of Repton, Derbyshire. Dr M.H.K. Bulmer

and Miss I.C. Lloyd The engagement is armounced between Mark, son of Mr Esmond Bulmer, of Poston. Herefordshire and Lady Wiggin. of Axbridge. Somerset, and Ingrid, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Lloyd, of Woldingham, Surrey.

Mr G.L. Cragoe and Miss T.A.S. Newall The engagement is announced between Guy, son of the late Mr Colin Cragoe and of Mrs Patricia Cragoe, of Ticehurst, East Sussex, and Tara, daughter of the late Major R.A.S. Newall and of Mrs Sheila Newall, of Lucks Cottage, Affpuddle, Dorset.

Mr G.J.M. Dawson and Miss F. Durden-Smith The engagement is announced herween Gordon, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs Michael Dawson, of Hunton, Kent, and Emma, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Neil Durden-Smith, of Highgate,

London. Mr J.S. de Rohan and Miss A.J. Norbury The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs Maurice de Rohan, of London, and Alison, eldest daughter of the late Dr Hugh Norbury and of Mrs Janet Norbury, of Loughborough.

Mr N.G. Porter and Miss M-C. Garfield The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Porner, of Finchfield, Wolverhampton, and Marie-Claire, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Garfield, of Chilworth, Southampton,

Mr T.J.W. Rickman and Miss I.F. Nyman The engagement is announced, with great pleasure, between Isabel, younger daughter of Michael and the late Patricia Nyman, of Hindhead, and Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs Robin Rickman, of Haslemere. Mr N.D. Roulier

and Miss G.H. Doyle The engagement is announced between Nicolas, son of Mr and Mrs C.A. Roulier, of Chobham, Surrey, and Gabrielle, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.J. Doyle, of Knebworth, Hertfordshire.

and Miss M. Newman The engagement is announced between Benedict, youngest son of Mr Michael Francis, of Ewelme, Oxfordshire, and Mrs Camilla Francis, of Chichester, and Melissa, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Neil Newman, of Kingwood,

Mr I.M. Hent

and Miss D.A. Patterson The engagement is announced between Julian, son of Mr and Mrs Colin Hunt, of Strawberry Hill. Middlesex, and Deborah, daughter of Mrs Richard Patterson, and stepdaughter of Mr. Richard Patterson, of Perth. Scotland.

Mr A.J. Maybev and Miss A.J.C. Clarkson

The engagement is announced between Angus, younger son of Mr and Mrs Philip Mayhew, of The Old Rectory, Beechingstoke, Wilt-shire, and Juliet, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerald Clarkson, of Crouch Lane Farm, Winkfield, Berkshire.

Mr P.W. Robinson and Miss L.C. Appleton

The engagement is announced between Patrick, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Jolyon Robinson, of Beldorney, Glass, Aberdeenshire, and Lorraine, daughter of Mrs Jillian Appleton, of Marshlands, Steep Marsh, Petersfield. Hampshire.

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Mr G. Rowe and Miss E.L. Searson A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Graham Rowe, second son of Mr and Mrs Donald Rowe, of Duffy, Act, Australia, and Emma Louise Searson, daughter of Mr and Mrs Huw Griffith, of Foys,

Popham. Hampshire. Mr A.E.A. Tiana and Miss F.M. FitzGerald The engagement is announced between Andrea, younger son of Mr and Mrs Luigi Tiana, of Milan, and Fiona, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Alastair Fitz-

Gerald, of Maiden Bradley.

Marriages Mr C.R.P. Bigham and Miss C.J. Worthington The marriage took place on Saturday at St Michael's, Raddington, of Mr Charles Bigham, eldest son of the Hon David and Mrs Bigham, and Miss Worthington, daughter of Colonel and Mrs John Worthington. The Rev Graham Owen and the Rev Richard Crossland officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Charles Villiers was best man. A reception was held at the home

of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad. Mr S.P.R. Wilkinson

and Miss H.B. Guppy
The marriage took place on Saturday, May 18, 1996, in Southampton, of Mr Simon Peter Ronald Wilkinson, son of Mr and Mrs P.J. Wilkinson, of Droitwich Spa, Worcestershire, and Miss Helen Bridget Guppy, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Guppy, of Hitchin, Hertfordshire.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Gabriel Daniel Fahrenheit, inventor of the mercury thermometer, Gdansk, 1686; Jean Paul Marat, revolutionary, Neu-chatel, Switzerland, 1743; Thomas Duncan, painter, Kindaven, Perthshire, 1807; John Henry Foley, sculptor, Dublin, 1818: Queen Victoria, reigned 1837-1901, Kensington Palace, 1819; Sir Ar-thur Wing Pinero, dramatist, London, 1855; Jan Christiaan Smuts. Prime Minister of South Africa 1919-24 and 1939-48, Riebeck West, Cape Colony, 1870.

OEATHS: David 1, King of Scot-land 1124-53, Carlisle, 1153; Copernicus, astronomer, Frembork, Poland, 1543; Robert Cecil, Ist Earl of Salisbury, statesman, Mariborough, Wiltshire, 1612: Jane Porter, novelist, Bristol, 1850: William Lloyd Garrison, abolitionist, New York, 1879; Samuel Palmer, landscape painter. Reigate, 1881;

Archibald Wavell, 1st Farl Wavell," field marshal, Viceroy of India 1943-47, London, 1950: John Foster Dulles, US Secretary of State 1953-59. Washington, 1959; Duke Ellington, pianist and bandleader. New York, 1974.

Dartmoor prison was opened to house French prisoners-of-war.

Westminster Bridge opened over the Thames, 1862. Brooklyn Bridge opened over the ... East River, 1883. HMS Hood was sunk by the Bismarck off Greenland, 1941.

Service luncheon

Propeller Club Mr Richard J. Sayer, was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Propeller Club of the United States, Port of London, held yes-terday in Grosvenor Square. Cap-tain G. Helliniakakis presided. Mr Duncan Lyons also spoke.

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PERSONAL COLUMN

The Som is the radiance of God's glory, the stamp of God's very being, and he sustains the universe by his word of power.
Hebrews 1: S (RESS).

ACKROYD - On May 21st, to Geraldine (née Wooler) and Tim, a danghter, Alicia Louise May, a sister for Alexandra and James, Alexandra and James, 'PHERBYCH - On 18th May, to Jame (nie Hutching) and Christopher, a son, William Humphrey Otiver, a brother for Thomas and Hugh,

for Thomas and Hugh.

EALLARD - Cattin Finn born at The Purtiand Houpital to David and Alisen on Sunday, May 19th at 6.11 pm, sister to Jos and Alex.

BURTON - On May 19th, to Sophia (nee Colliet) and James. a daugher. Phoebe Cordelin. CLORE MESHOULAN - OR 18th May, m Melanie and Yaron, o son, Theo Felix.

HILL - On 21st May, to Jamey and Nick, a son, Edmund Robin Arthor, Viscount Kilwarlin, a brother for isabella and Benirics.

BIRTHS

MRLINGTON-WALLACE -Christins and Miles are delighted to amounce the birth of their baby Councy Jonathon, 6th at 05.37 on 22nd May 1996.

RILEY - On 17th May Greenwich Hospital, to Nicola (née Prime) and Martin, a son, James Stamus Henry, a hrother for William, Charlotte and

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BIRTH AND DEATH NOTICES

To place your Birth or Death Notices over the May Bank Holiday period please call during the following times.

Saturday 25th May 9.30am - 12.30pm Monday 27th May 9.30am - 12.30pm Tel: 0171 680 6880. Fax: 0171 481 9313

HULSBOROUGH - See HILL HILLSBOROUGH - See Hm.
JOHNSON - On 21st May to
London. to Etilse and
Roderick, a daughter, Seithe.
May, a sister for Georgine.
Roland and Journe.
LAWRENCE - On May 13th,
to Anna-Louise bice Harper)
and David, a son, Edward
David, a hrother for
Benedict. MAUGHAN - On 16th May.

Amma beneaux.

McBAHON - On May 20th,
to Andrew and Cathless (née
Devies), at Lairebe Hospital,
Tesmania, a daughter,
Emma Mary.

PERROON - On 22nd May, to Richard and Vicky, a son, George Alexander, a brother for Charlie, James and Caroline.

sauve - Karl diel pencifily at home May 22nd. Despy mourned by his wife Margot. Cremation Sunday 26th May 11.30 am Golders Green Crematorium, Hoop Lane, NW11. No flowers please. Donations if desired to British Heart Foundation. BRADLEY - Percy, Pencarully at home aged 107. Much loved father of Motra. Functal et 8t Paul's Church. Whichmore Hill on Friday 31st May at 11.30 am. Flowers to Seawards & Ch. 448 Green Lane, London N13. tel: (0181) 886-6101.

BAUM - Karl died peace

manus - Doromes on 22nd May, aged 94, after a short litness. Cremation Friday May 31st 2.30 pm New Soothgate Crematorium, Brunswick Park Road, Nt.1. Flowers to Nethercolds, 180 Darkes Lune. Potters Rar, ENG. (01707) 645601.

DEATHS pessed away peacetully at home. Kenneth Bedford Brotchie O.B.E., aged 90 Michael. Thistopher Malaysia. Very much loved father of Christopher and Michael, grandfather of Holly. Roll and Tori and brother of Peter. The fumeral service will lake piace on Wednesdey Sth June 1996 12.30 pm at Randalls Peric Crematorium, Leatherhead, Surrey. Floral Iributes c/o Lodge Brothers Funeral Directors. 36 High Street. Weybridge, Surrey, KT13

Weybridge, Surrey, KT13 8AB, tel: (01932) 854768, EADY - Srian Nicholas, pussed away suddenly May 20th. Loving husband of Shells and much loved father to Carolyn and Kevin, a loving father-in-law and grandlafther. Funeral Service grandfather. Funeral Service to be held on Friday May Sist at Beamien Abbey at 11.45 am followed by interment in Beaulien Cemetery. Family flowers

cemetery. Family flowers only by request, but donations made payable to Friends of Urambo and Mwanhain may be sent c/o R. Hallum & Son. 84 urst, Hants. Hrochenhurst, Hants.

PROST - Leonora Marian, on
22nd May 1996 after a short
timess courageously borne in
The Royal Brompton
Hospital. A funeral service
will take place at Mortishe
Crematorium on Thursday
May 30th at 11.30 am. At
her request, family flowers
only, but donations if dealwad
to Bamerae Dogs Home may
be sent to: J.H. Kenyon Lin.,
49 Marioes Road. W8 GLA.

JOHN - Patricia onle Bestry. 49 Murroes Noad, We SLA.
JOHN - Patricia (Me Benthy)
on May 20th at Pilgrims
Hospice, Canharium, after a
long illness borbs with great
courage and dignity. Beloved
wite of Craham and despity
loved mother of Frances, she
will be sadly missed.

wife of Graham and dearly-iowed mother of Frances, she will be sadily missed. Cremation at Bartum, Kent, at 3 pm on June 4th. Donations to Amingal welfage chartities and the Piterims Homics amproclassic.

DEATHS LEVACK - On May 22nd at King Edward VII Hospital, Midburst, Lauwnce Causie, dearry loved hunband of Frencia, beloved brother of Betty and Jean. Funeral Service at Worthing Cransfortum on Thursday, May 50th at 12.40 pm., Family flowers only please. Donations if withyd to May 30th at 12.40 pm, family flowers only please, Donations if wished to Macmillan Services Midharst or Imparial Cancer Research Fund. c/g H.D. Tribe Ltd., 21 West Street. Storrington, West Sussex RH20 4DZ, left (01903) 742585.

AAYESS - On 21st Ma 1996. peacefully in St Thomas's Hospital. Barbura May Pollard, Beloved wife of Dan E. Mayers. Mother of Vanda, Randell, Gnyle and Darrel. Service at St Peter & St Paul Church. Wadhurst on Thursday 30th May at 2000.

MCTRISON - On 23rd hisp Marie Jeanne, much loved mother of David and sister of Diana. NYMAN - Patricia died peacefully on May 17th, Light of her husband's life, beautiful in presence and apirit, perfect in ber relationships. She excited her bendy and friends with her active love and joyful hospitality, and har pupils with her gifted music teaching. Mourned by Michael, Julies, Trevor, lasbel. Tim and all highed by having known her.

OSUS STEVENS - Emily Rose on May 18th in a car socideot aged 19. Much loved youngest daughter of Judith and Jacks, sider of Ximena and Gabriella and grapddaughter of Peggy. Private runeral, Thunleggiving Service at St Marry's Church. Cadogan Street. Chelsea on June 5th at 2 pm. All are welcome.

DEATHS PARKER - On May 22nd Robert M., O.B.E. aged 77. Formerly Chief Education Officer, Somerset, Service on Thursday, May 30th at 3 pm at the lale of Wight Crematorium. Family flowers only, donations to "R.N.L.1. Yarmonth Branch". Enquiries to Everson F.D. tel: (01988) 755733.

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OBITUARIES

Patrick Cargill, actor and dramatist, died yesterday aged 77. He was born on June 3, 1918.

PATRICK CARGILL was the star of two immensely popular situation com-edies of the 1970s, Fother, Dear Fother and The Many Wives of Patrick. The first of these elevated Cargill from a familiar-looking character actor whose name no one could ever quite remember to a household hero among harassed fathers of teenage daughters. Having come up the hard way, through years of repertory theatre, Cargill was amused by the sudden rise in his stock: "It's perfectly hilarious the way I get accosted by everyone from bowler-hatted business types on the Tube to Covent Garden porters, telling me they have daughters like mine. Apparently baving daughters is a perfectly classless thing."

Cargill was a light, suave actor, whose impeccable comic talents were not notably stretched by some of the television work he took on. They were seen to better advantage in a production such as the Caryl Brahms and Ned Sherrin adaptation of Feydeau farces, Ooh La La!, in the late 1960s. Contrary to the sort of parts he played, Cargill was neither a worn-down father nor an habitual womaniser in real life. He was a bachelor who surrounded himself at home with a regular menagerie of animals, and who talked about acting with schoolboyisb enthusiasm. But fate had given him the sort of sharp, baughty face and heavy-lidded, world-weary expression which immediately conred up libertines and villains. It was a face reminiscent of dry Martinis and white Jaguars.

meeting

Edward Sydney Patrick Cargill seemed destined from childhood for a very different life. His father was a major in the Indian Army. After his younger brother had died in a boating accident in India, Patrick reluctantly considered himself bound for a military career in order to please his father. He went from Haileybury to Sandhurst then on to India as a young officer. But he changed his mind when he was out there and resigned his

commission. Family tradition had collided with the smell of the greasepaint, and lost. Cargill had grasped every opportunity to appear on stage as a youth, having taken his first role in a school play as Lady Macbeth. He returned to Britain with ten shillings in his pocket. He made his inauspicious professional debut at Bexhill-on-Sea, dressed as Adam in the Garden of Eden wearing nothing but a pair of green fig-leaf wimming trunks. But the war briefly pulled him back to the Army and he returned to India, this time as an

entertainments officer. After the war he returned to Britain and to 15 years in repertory theatre. He maintained that a grounding in the theatre was essential for any actor, even for one who wanted to specialise in film and television. The often hilarious, sometimes dispiriting, slog of long runs, back-to-back performances and crowded dressing rooms made Cargill resilient, brought him many friends in the businesss and provided him with a fund of amusing

He remembered one particular occasion, when he was appearing in an PATRICK CARGILL



Cargill, left, as Patrick Glover with his two screen daughters, played by Natasba Pyne and Ann Holloway, and Jeremy Child as Timothy in Father, Dear Father, 1972

and played Inspector Gluck in the new

Majesty's, he was spotted by Charlie

Hudson, the gentleman's gentleman.

In 1967 Cargill had his big break

when he was offered the chance of his

own television situation comedy on

ITV. Father, Dear Father was written

especially for him and cast Cargill as

Patrick Glover, a talented thriller-

writer, but a hopelessly inept father of

two mini-skirted tecnage daughters.

The show was an enormous popular

success, not only in Britain but abroad.

Cargill's urbane character became so

popular in Australia that he lived for a

while in Sydney to make a special

The adaptations of the Georges

Feydeau farces were first televised in

the late 1960s, and repeated many

times. Cargill played a different character in each of the one-hour dramas.

An excellent supporting cast was gathered around him, which included

Judi Dench, Joan Sims, Richard Briers

andpodean version of the series.

in A Countess from Hong Kong.

Agatha Christie play, and had to cry: "You mean it's . . " before the interval curtain came down. Cargill delivered the cliff-hanging line, stood there pointing his finger, and waited hopefully. The curtain remained stubbornly raised. He repeated the line several times with mounting embarrassment: "You can't mean it". "Do you really mean to say it's . . . " before eventually shuffling off into the wings, to find the offending stagehand, drunk, and unconscious next to the curtain.

In his youth Cargill was often cast as villains, and he played these with the right degree of silken treachery. Gradually he diversified into comedy. He learnt a good deal about comic timing from his hero, Tony Hancock, and he played the Scottish doctor in Hancock's famous episode The Blood Donor. There he uttered the immortal line, "Yes, Mr Hancock, but we're not all Rob Roys".

He began to write his own scripts and plays and staged a comedy set in a sanatorium, co-written with Jack Beale, Time on Their Hands, at the O Theatre in 1954. Ring for Catty (1956). again set in a hospital, was another moderate success at the Lyric. A more recent play, Don't Misunderstand Me. which he toured all over Britain in the 1980s, is about to be performed in

During the 1960s, with middle age looming, Cargill's professional prospects improved markedly. The revue

High Spirits at the Hippodrome and Bernard Cribbins. There was an elegance about the plays, and an extravagence of language which took brought good notices, and he became to television audiences through his performance as a secret Cargill a long way from the occasional agent in Top Secret, and via appearbanalities he had to utter in modern ances on The Avengers and. The situation comedy, and he was grateful for the change of pace.

Father, Dear Father ran until 1973. Prisoner. He notched up three-and-ahalf years in the successful West End

comedy Boeing-Boeing at the Apollo, In 1976 Cargill returned to the small screen with The Many Wives of Beatles film, Help! In 1966, while appearing in Say Who You Are at Her Patrick, about a middle-aged playboy who is trying to divorce his sixth wife in order to remarry his first. That show Chaplin, and chosen to play the part of ran until 1980.

Cargill had been one of the inescapable faces of television comedy during the 1970s. In the last decade of his life be returned to his first love, the stage, He starred as Gordon in Key For Two at the Vaudeville (1983); Sir Joseph Porter (the Ruler of the Queen's Navee) in HMS Pinafore at Queen Elizabeth Hall; and took the title role in Captain Beaky at the Playhouse in 1990. Recendy he toured with British Airways Playhouse, run by his friend Derek Nimmo.

When he was young, he had shared his home in Sheen with a cat, hamster, monkey, dog and parrot. In 1987 he moved to Henley, and lived with his ward, James Markowski, and a housekeeper. His health had been frail since last December when it was discovered that he had cancer. But he refused to give up hope, and was determined to beat the illness until only a few days

MICHAEL STOBBS

Michael Stobbs, Fellow of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and assistant director of research in the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy, died from a beart attack on April 26 aged 51. He was born on August 11, 1944.

MICHAEL STOBBS acquired international status as a pioneer of new techniques in electron microscopy. The application of Stobbs's techniques for examining the structure and composition of materials has not only changed the ways in which electron microscopes have been used but has also influenced the way in which modern advanced microscopes are designed. He was a man who thrived

on diversity and the breadth of his work was unparalleled. He led the thinking in a range of widely differing fields of materials science. The key to his extraordinary scope lay in the absolute clarity with which he was able to see thematic links within all areas of his research. Striving to improve the properties of materials. Stobbs initiated an approach to electron microscopy in which the problems he encountered could be solved through the development of new methodologies. Academi-cally and industrially his in-

fluence has been far-reaching. Stobbs was, indeed, much more than an inventor of techniques. His approach allowed him to touch the very heart of a problem - and the solving of complex problems with materials was his abiding passion. He saw no point in developing a useful technique for its own sake, and he put his inventions to immediate practical use. He particu-larly enjoyed challenging out-

moded theories and dogmas. Many of his papers led to the reappraisal of previously accepted mechanisms, and this initiated a lively and welcome liaison between the academic and the industrial. His sudden death came at a time when he was leading investigations into the understanding of interface controlled properties and

transformations. William Michael Stobbs went up to Cambridge in 1963 where he read Natural Sciences as an Exhibition Scholar at St John's. Graduation was followed by three years in the Cavendish Laboratories, where he did his PhD, and it was during this time that he determined to pursue a research-based career. Industry immediately ac-

knowledged his potential and he was made a CEGB Research Fellow - a post which he held jointly with the Goldsmiths Research Fellowship at



Churchill College. In 1970 he became a Staff Fellow at Trinity Hall. He also held the Royal Society Armourers and Brasiers Research Fellowship and in 1977 was appointed as an assistant director of research in the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science under the professorship of Sir Robert Honeycombe (as he now is), who gave him the responsibility of developing research and research-training in the area of transmission

electron microscopy. It was in this capacity that Stobbs was to realise his essential aim in helping postgraduates to become what he felt were "good" scientists. For him this involved the pursuit of truth - about which there could be no compromise. A deep moral passion was the driving force behind all his achievements and endeav-

ours.

He was a kind, optimistic and warm-hearted man who had an unshakeable belief in the potential of his students. The number who have gone on to prominent academic or industrial positions is a testament to his innovative thinking and untiring enthusiasm. Stobbs will be remembered for the way in which he threw himself into projects with unreserved energy and for the astonishing speed with which he was able to assimilate data. He was always excited by the unexpected course a piece of work might take and drew enormous inner satisfaction from seeing a student develop into a scientist. To many he

was a mentor. Michael Stobbs edited the Journal of Microscopy and was made editor of the Philosophical Magazine in 1990. Typically, he did this almost single-handedly and was grateful for the opportunity it gave him to explore new fields. He loved to learn in this way. He was made a Doctor of Science in 1955 and awarded the Rosenhain Medal of the Institute of Metals in 1990.

Stobbs spent periods working in the United States and Japan but always returned to Cambridge, where he regarded his college, Trinity Hall, as his second home, He never found much satisfaction in lecturing, and yet Trinity Hall was where he commined himself to undergraduates. For nearly twenty years be was director of studies in Natural Sciences and in this capacity he shaped the lives of many undergraduates through his personal teaching and his sensitivity as a tutor.

Stobbs cared deeply about undergraduates' wellbeing and progress. He believed wholeheartedly in the merits of the collegiate system, and for several years played a major role in undergraduate admissions in the sciences.

Michael Stobbs had a distinctive physical appearance, and he dressed as he liked and rarely as convention would have it. He was an immediately recognisable figure in Cambridge as he walked at a considerable pace from department to college, deep in thought. He was a man devoted to his family, of whom he was immensely proud. He derived enormous pleasure from family life and always acknowledged the strength and support that his family gave him.

He is survived by his wife, Susan, whom he married in 1965, and by their two sons.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE

William Lawrence, Chief Constable, South Wales Constabulary, since 1989, died of cancer on May 21 aged 53. He was born on September 21, 1942.

THE longest serving Chief Constable of the South Wales police force, Robert Lawrence successfully led his team through one of the most

difficult periods in its history. A man of great determination, he was involved in tough and tense negotiations with the Home Office in 1993 at the height of a financial crisis when serious underfunding put the efficiency and effectiveness of his force under threat. With his officers working in run-down buildings and driving patrol cars with more than

150,000 miles on the clock, Lawrence gave warning that, unless the Government could provide him with more money, he would have to consider serious manpower cuts. This, he said could result in chaos. Lawrence's ultimate successs in gaining the necessary funds was a tribute to his

tenacity.
In 1993 he attracted consid-

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erable press attention when he urged members of the Royal Family to stop visiting South Wales because, in the face of severe budget cuts, he could no longer afford to guard them. Visits from the Prince of Wales, he said, involved diverting funds from other policing projects.
William Robert Lawrence

was born in Ystradgynlais,

Powys, and educated at years later, in 1975, to chief

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Maesydderwen Grammar A compassionate man and School. He began his police career in 1961 when he joined the Mid Wales Constabulary. later to become part of Dyfed-Powys Police. He was promoted to sergeant in 1970, inspector in 1972 and three

promotion to superintendent and, in 1982, was promoted to chief superintendent in the role of divisional commander. A year later he was appointed Assistant Chief Constable of Staffordshire Police, later being promoted once more to the rank of Deputy Chief Constable and subsequently, Acting Chief Constable. He also studied during this time with the Open University and

On May 1, 1989, Lawrence took over the helm as Chief Constable of the South Wales Constabulary. But he never forgot his roots and carried out his role as a Chief Constable with attentive concern for

gained a BA in 1988.

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an attentive listener, Lawrence believed that policing was all about people. He was also a challenging conversationalist with an acute memory and a remarkable ability to encompass and understand the finest details. His breadth of vision extended well beyond policing

In 1991 he was awarded the Queen's Police Medal. He also held the Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal and served as a Brother in the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem.

He was a vociferous spectator at police rugby matches, a keen fisherman and a supporter of amateur boxing. He was also an enthusiastic golfer and even while recovering from major surgery during his last illness would continue, with typical determination, to play all 18 holes on the course. He is survived by his wife Kathleen and by a daughter

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It is legitimate to ask what purpose the dramatist had in mind in making use of the Biblical story, and it is fatal to the play if the question remains unanswered. What Mr. Lawrence has done here is clear enough; he has filled out the story of Saul, rather than of David, with the peculiar intensity of language he invariably uses—the sort of language he cannot help using. Why he should have chosen this particular story we cannot say. The manner of its telling is this:—And Samuel, prophet of God, said to Saul, King of Israel: Because you would not sacrifice the cattle of the Amalekites to the Lord, but sought to distribute them among the people of Israel, you are rejected of God. I will go find another to be the Lord's anointed. And Samuel went to the house of Jesse, and anointed his younges son David, in whose limbs ran the Heavenly flame. And Saul sought to destroy David, whose body was a flame, whose soul was a flame, and whose kingdom was a kingdom of flame. And because of the flame David fled from the wrath of Saul, and Jonathan prophesied that he would come truly into his

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Not perhaps the most accessible of D.H. Lawrence's works, this biblical play brought together some notable performers including Robert Harris, Angela Baddeley and Frank Vosper.

kingdom of flame only after the death of Saul.

Here is Mr Lawrence's theme, and, im-pressed as we often are by the vehemence of his impassioned words, we are bound to say that the result is neither drama nor poetry. Truth to tell, this unending insistence on the verbal symbols of mysticism grows wearisome long before the last of the 16 scenes. Flames of life and love and spirit, if they are meant for the theatre at all, need to be illustrated in common or uncommon actions; merely to speak of them in dark hints conveys nothing. In two scenes only are we brought into the

drama of Saul and David: where David and Jonathan exchange robes, taking outh of their friendship, and where Saul is visited by evil spirits, while David sings to restore him to his kingly mind, we are conscious of more than curiosity at Mr. Lawrence's experiment. But there is hardly anything else in the play which tempts us to lose our detachment.

It is a difficult piece to act, and Mr. Peter
Creswell, as Saul, was called upon to bear the

chief burden. His voice is rather too thick and indistinct for the passion of eloquence his part requires, and, intense as was his bearing, we missed many shades of meaning in his performance. The Samuel of Mr. Harcoun Williams was not more satisfactory, although for a quite different reason; his seemed a rather careless study, entirely wanting on the nervous force one would suppose essential to a major prophet. The David of Mr. Robert Harris and the Jonathan of Mr. Frank Vosper were much better; and most satisfying of all was the Michal of Miss Angela Baddeley, who pictured for us something of the beauty that, it was evident, lay like a weight on Mr. Lawrence's mind. While she was on the stage we could imagine what went on in the mind of Saul. She looked very lovely and possessed of more spirit than Saul or David or the whole

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The Kashmir Valley's first polls in seven years undermined India's promise of a free and fair poll. People were forced out of their homes by soldiers and ordered to vote Page 15

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A former soldier developed such a A Russian diplomat accused of spying for Britain was reportedly caught red-handed using hightech communications equipment who picked him up in a bar, the to pass secrets to British diplo-

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Cattle gridlock

For the moment, Mr Blair has a harder hand to play than his opponent...

Russian reform

Mr Yavlinsky cannot expect an immediate answer from Mr Yeltsin. His demands are high: his deadline is opportunistic, even impudent. But he would surely add to Mr Yeltsin's appeal, bringing back some of the President's reforming ... Page 21 credibility...

Biow-out

Dinner moderates diplomacy. It is nothing but the continuation of politics by other means, such as Hollandaise sauce. If jaw-jaw is better than war-war, who cares whether the jaws are waffling or Page 21 chomping?....

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BERNARD LEVIN

I think that pornography is loathsome, but for those who are old enough to buy it legally probably not very dangerous. Anyway, I don't need pornography - I've got . Page 20 Wagner...

JOHN REDWOOD

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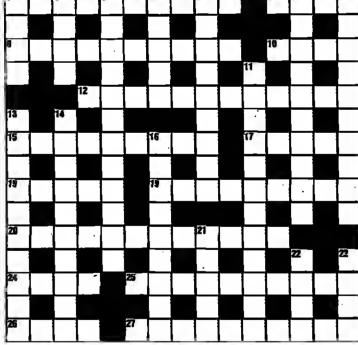
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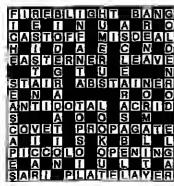
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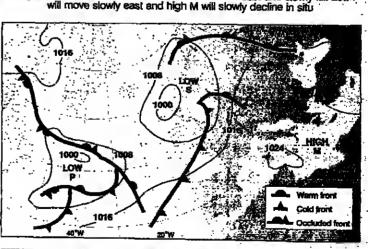
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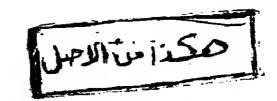
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BUSINESS EDITOR Lindsay Cook

FRIDAY MAY 24 1996

Japanese bank in line to buy MoD married quarters

NOMURA INTERNATIONAL, the Japanese bank, is on the shortlist for the £1.6 billion privatisation of Ministry of Defence married quarters. It is one of four names recommended to Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, by NatWest

The others are British Land, the property giant, ING Barings, the merchant bank, and a consortium led by John Beckwith, the property developer, and backed by Lehman Brothers, the US bank.

The price tag is in the region of

Et.6 billion, slightly more than the ministry had expected when it put the portfolio of 55,000 homes on the

market last year.
However, it is understood that
NatWest Markets rejected an even higher offer because of fears about the bid's financial credibility.

Nineteen bidders put in offers for the portfolio, which has a rental income of £107 million a year but needs a great deal of work. More than 2,700 of the homes are currently vacant.

Nomura's bid is sure to cause a political storm. The Army Families' Federation has already wrinen to sold to a Japanese buyer. Nomura caused controversy last

year when it snapped up a third of Britain's trains in a £628 million deal as part of the privatisation of British Rail. British Land, John Ritblat's prop-

erty group, which owns Plantation House in the City, is believed to be one of the strongest contenders. It is backed by Morgan Stanley, the

The offer from Beckwith Capital Partners is the latest stage in the re-

emergence of John Beckwith and his brother Peter in the property mar-ket. John Beckwith left London & Edinburgh Trust, the company they founded, in 1993 after its takeover by SPP, the Swedish group.

The brothers recently took control of Harlequins, the rugby union football club, through Riverside, their sports club company.

Among the bids thrown out by NatWest were two consortia backed by Halifax and Nationwide, Brit-ain's largest building societies. The Halifax consortium offered about £1.45 billion and included Legal & General, the insurer, and the propFry. Owen Inskip, of Johnson Fry, said: "If this is viewed as a purely financial transaction, problems will emerge if there is not serious housing management experience in

The Nationwide bid was for a similar amount and involved Schroders, the merchant bank, and Bradford Property Trust, Britain's

largest rented homes group.

Among other bids rejected were ones from Godfrey Bradman, the former Rosehaugh chief who was backed by Barclays, and a venture capital bid that included Prudential

TONY WHITE

Venture Managers and Deutsche Morgan Grenfell.

The privatisation of the married quarters, which are spread over 800 sites from Kensington to Devonport, has brought a great deal of criticism from MPs.

Mr Portillo was forced to admit in a House of Commons written answer in March that rents may rise by more than inflation as a result of the privatisation. And James Arbuthnot, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, is shortly to face the Commons Defence Select Committee to defend the

Roddicks turn

down salary

rise to £300,000

By Sarah Cunningham

GORDON RODDICK, the

chairman of Body Shop, and Anita Roddick, its chief execu-

tive, have once again taken the moral high ground, buck-

ing the trend for huge board-

suggestion from the compa-

ny's remuneration committee

that they each be paid

£300,000 per year, the annual

Instead they are to be paid £135,000 each, which is less

than the company's manag-

ing director, legal director

and director in charge of its

The couple's gesture looks

less magnanimous, however,

if one takes into account the

fact that the Body Shop.

criticised in the past for being

mean with its dividend, this

year increased it by 1p to 3.4p.

Roddicks, the two largest

shareholders, will both re-

ceive about £240,000 more

than last year in dividend payments. Taking these into account, each will take home

Also to be borne in mind is

that fact that Mr Roddick himself chairs the committee

nearly £1 million.

One effect of this is that the

The couple have declined a

room pay rises.

report reveals.

US operations.

BUSINESS TODAY

NORTH SEA OIL GOLD

London close \$391.55 (\$391.65) Anita and Gordon Roddick's basic pay, up from £123,000 last year, will be denotes midday trading price supplemented by benefits which take them both to

£148,000. Dividends on Anlta Roddick's 24,010,456 shares will provide her with an

which made the recommen-

dation on pay. His wife is also

on the committee, along with the company's two non-execu-

A spokesman for the Body Shop said Mr Roddick had no

explanation for not taking the

big pay rise: "He quite simply

did not want to accept it," he

tive directors.

additional £816,355, compared with £576,251 in 1995. Her husband's 24,226,680 shares will provide him with £823,707 in dividends, com-

pared with £581,440 last year. The company set up the remuneration committee last year. It is in charge of setting pay and conditions for the executive directors and it takes independent advice to ensure that they are in line with those at comparable

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Brent 15-day (Aug] \$18.35 (\$18.45)

Storehouse

Storehouse, the Mothercare to Bhs retail group, managed to squeeze more money out of sales last year, helping to per cent, to £109.9 million, in the year to March 30. Gross margins rose by more than 1.5 percentage points. Page 27

Merger

Half of the 46,700 shareholders in Royal Insurance need to vote in favour of the merger with Sun Alliance to ensure that deal goes through next month. They must account for 75 per cent of the equity value.

CBI fears prolonged slump at factories

BY PHILIP BASSETT AND JANET BUSH

BRITAIN'S manufacturing industry remains weak, new evidence from business shows today, the day after Government figures suggested that manufacturing is likely to perform poorly for some months to come.

Manufacturing orders are at their lowest for two and a ears, the Confederation of British Industry says today. and an increase in retail sales yesterday suggested that the service sector is continuing to

outperform manufacturing. In its latest monthly industrial trends survey today, the CBI says that manufacturing demand remains weak, with orders again below normal in

A net balance of 17 per cent of companies surveyed those saying orders are above normal set against those saying they are below - reported order books below their usual levels. The CBI says this figure, the same as the order book level in April, shows clearly that orders are not improving. Manufacturing orders have now been below normal for nine successive months, and are at their lowest level in a CBI monthly

survey since December 1993. While manufacturers expect output to rise over the next four months. CBI analysts acknowledge an increasing gap between what companies lieve they will see and their performance. Although export demand improved slightly last month, export orders are still

below normal. Business leaders are con-cerned that the build-up in stocks of finished goods - the CBI's survey of 1,300 manufacturers shows the highest recorded level of stocks since June 1991 — poses a threat to the industry's recovery. CBI leaders say the stock build-up suggests manufacturers "could be disappointed by the pace of growth over the com-

Sudhir Junankar, CBf associate economics director, says: "Manufacturing demand is likely to remain weak while the slight revival in exports over the past month remains fragile as short-term growth prospects in our key European

markets are poor." A more detailed breakdown of growth in the fourth quar ter, published yesterday by the Office for National Statistics, suggested that manufacturing is likely to remain weak for some months.

Gross domestic product rose by 0.4 per cent in the first quarter, up 2 per cent year on year. While this was unchanged from the preliminary estimate, exports and investment remained weak. Far from starting to draw down huge stocks built up last year when firms were caught out by falling demand at home and in key European export markets, companies built up stocks even further.

The build-up of stocks last year added significantly to economic growth. Conversely, when companies eventually start cuning stock levels, GDP will be depressed.

Andy Cates, of stockbrokers UBS Ltd, said that, at this rate, the Chancellor's forecast of 3 per cent growth this year looked like fantasy.

Consumer spending was the main engine for growth, with a rise of 0.8 per cent but was not seen as dramatic. Retail sales volumes rose by only 0.2 per cent in April, compared with March. lower than the 0.5 per cent expected in the City. There was a drop of 1.5 per cent in sales of household goods, which was seen as disappointing given evidence of a housing market revival. However, in the three

healthy performance. CBI warning, page 26

mnnths to April, sales were up

0.7 per cent on the previous

three - judged a relatively



Increased dividends mean Anita and Gordon Roddick will take home nearly £1 million each

Clarke moves on tax deal

BY PATRICIA TEHAN, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

well as pre-sale market trans-

KENNETH CLARKE, the Chancellor, yesterday asked the Securities and Investments Board to investigate reform of the current tax benefits for market-makers.

As revealed in The Times on Wednesday, he said he saw some merit in maintaining privileges for market-makers who provide extra liquidity to

the market. But he said new parency and contribute subrules would need to be readily stantial extra liquidity to the policed and enforceable and should not have an adverse Angela Knight, the Economeffect on competition. The Treasury said that in return

ic Secretary, said: The tax system...should also ensure for exemption from stamp competition, fairness and liduty, market-makers would quidity in the trading of UK have to "make a significant contribution to price setting as

Lawrence pay-off, page 26

Cable and Wireless seeks international alliances

By Eric Reguly

ively bid-proof because the CABLE AND WIRELESS said yesterday that it is holding partnership talks with a variety of international com-panies in the wake of the Smaller deals, however, are

failure of its merger negotiaoons with BT. News of the various talks came as C&W reported a 59 per cent rise in pre-tax profits. to £1.34 billion, in the year to the March 31, on turnover of £5,52 billion, up 7 per cent. Earnings per share were

27.5p, compared with 11.5p. The talks probably will lead to the formation of new alliances in several countries, but not an outright merger or takeover. Brian Smith, C&W's chairman, said C&W is effectregulatory hurdles of buying a company with operating licences in some 50 countries

likely after Richard Brown. the new chief executive, takes up his post in July. C&W. for example, wants to find a partner to strengthen its relatively small American operations. It is also in talks to form an alliance with Stel, the

Italian telecoms group. In Britain, Mercury Communications, which is 80 per cent owned by C&W, is forging commercial links with the cable companies and may cement the relationship

through equity swaps, a merger or even takeovers. Peter Howell-Davies. Mercury's chief executive, said: "Our relationship with the cable companies is one of the most important issues we need to address this year."

C&W's sharp rise in pre-tax profits was largely because of the £199 million gain on the sale of a minority stake in a German mobile phone company. Pre-tax profits before exceptionals were up 10 per cent to £1.26 billion. Mercury's operating profits were £231 million, up 14 per cent. A final dividend of 6.92p, making a total of 10p, up 10.5 per cent, is to be paid on September 2.

Saatchi & Saatchi slips to fourth place

By Eric Reguly

SAATCHI & SAATCHI has lost its billing as the country's largest advertising agency for the first time since 1988.

A survey published yester-day by Marken'ng Week shows that Saatchis, which is perhaps best known for its Conservative Party campaigns, has slipped to fourth place, behind J Walter place, behind J Walter Thompson, Abbott Mead Vickers BBDO and Ogilvy &

The fall from fame came after Maurice Saarchi, the agency's founder, was forced out. He started his own agency called M&C Saatchi, and took with him some of his old clients, including British Airways, Mars, Dixons and Silk

Cut. They collectively spent £98 million on advertising, putting M&C Saatchi 17th in the top 25 table.

Saatchi & Saatchi is now one of two agencies owned by Cordiant. The survey revealed that its clients spent £232.2 million in advertising in the year to March 31, against £325 million the previous year. J Walter Thompson's cli-

ents, including Kelloggs and Benson & Hedges, spent £269 million, up from £257 million. Saatchi & Saatchi continues to lose clients but the agency is optimistic. Tamara Ingram. joint managing director, said: "We've got a lot more business

coming through and we aim to

be number one again."

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By PHILIP BASSETT

THE Government expects to cut back the nuclear industry's fossil fuel levy by less than ministers had hoped, which may in turn feed through to a smaller fall in electricity prices when the industry is privatised.

Stephen Littlechild, the Director-General of Electricity Supply. expects to the levy - payment made to the electricity industry to fund its use of nucleargenerated power - when nuclear is privatised later this summer

Ministers have made it clear that the current levy rate of 10 per cent of the value of electricity sales is likely to fall by up to 8 percentage points, to a level of around 2 per cent.

But ministers said yesterday that current calculations were suggesting a smaller fall in the levy rate of 5.5-7 percentage points, suggesting a levy rate of around 3-4.5 per cent.

Tim Eggar, Energy and industry Minister, said the complex calculations to finalise the new rate were not yet completed, but he indicated they were suggesting a levy rate around this level. He denied it represented a lower level than forecast, insisting that it was inside the range of up to 8 percentage points. Launching the Govern-ment's annual Energy Re-

port. Mr Eggar cited as clear evidence of success in the energy sector changes in energy prices, with the "overriding message" for the year being lower gas and electricity prices for domestic and industrial customers.

In inflation-adjusted terms, annual average domestic electricity prices are at their lowest now since 1974, he said, and 1980 for gas. Industrial electricity prices are lower than any year since records began, and industrial gas prices are now about half their level a decade ago.

Glenmorangie aims to tap export growth



Geoffrey Maddrell, left, and Peter Darbyshire, managing director, announced a 15 per cent rise in pre-tax profits on the back of stronger margins

GEOFFREY MADDRELL, chairman of Glenmorangle, said the company was aiming to continue its export drive and increase sales of own-brand products over the coming year (Alasdair Murray writes). The whisky company now supplies 13 retailers. primarily in the UK and France, with own-brand premium whisky. Exports sales to the US increased

80 per cent, with exports making up about 40 per cent of total sales. Mr Maddrell added that the company was building a position in India and was set to launch in China this year.

Glenmorangie, which was formerly known as Macdonald Martin Distilleries, yesterday announced a 15 per cent increase in full-year pre-tax

profits to £6.6 million. Overall turnover rose 10 per cent to £39 million while case sales increased 21 per cent, bucking the sector trend.

The underlying operating margin increased 7 per cent to 22.4 per cent. The final dividend was increased 13.5 per cent to 9.25p for "A" shares, payable on July 26.

CBI says PSBR overshoot threatens pre-poll tax cuts

THE Government's scope for pre-election tax cuts may "evaporate" if public borrowing continues to overshoot, the Confederation of British In-

dustry says today. The CBI's warning comes as the latest survey of business leaders' voting intentions from the Institute of Management shows no improvement in

support for the Conservatives. The warning about the possibly limited scope for preelection tax cuts comes in the CBI's economic forecasts published today. Though much of

the forecast is unchanged from the CBI's February estimates, the confederation says that the continuing overshoot in the PSBR, particularly if it continues throughout the year, may well mean that on tax cuts the room for manocuvre seems at present very

After examining the short-fall in VAT receipts, which caused the PSBR to end 1995-96 at £31.9 billion, almost £3 billion above the Treasury's own forecast of six months earlier, the "tentative" forecast

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today by CBI economists is that Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, will be able to cut personal taxes by only £2 billion, or lp in the pound, in his November Budget — though they suggest that the Chancellor will have some

further room by way of a £1 billion cut in public spending. Noting that if an election has not been held by then that the "political pressure on the Chancellor will be as strong as ever for tax cuts"; the CBI says: "If PSBR outturns continue to be higher than in our

forecast, then the scope for tax cuts may evaporate if the Government is to achieve its PSBR targets."

However, the CBI is still suggesting that growth overall will pick up later this year, with GDP forecast to grow by a "robust" 3 per cent in 1996. Kate Barker, the CBI's chief economic adviser, says today: "We are not talking about the 'feel-good' factor coming back. But we are talking about people feeling better throughout this year and next."

Business support for the

Conservatives is still low, according to a survey of 465 managers across industry by the Institute of Management. The survey shows that Conservative support among managers now stands at 42 per cent - down from 43 per cent in February and from 62 per cent at the time of the 1992 general

Backing for Labour among managers has doubled since the general election, and now stands at 26 per cent - up from 25 per cent in the loM's

Sales of life | Grosvenor and pension policies rebound

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY

SALES of new life insurance and personal pension policies have started to bounce back after being hit last year by bad publicity and new regulations. During 1995 sales across the industry fell as the public were reluctant to buy long-term life products after the scandal over the mis-selling of personal pensions. Insurance com-panies also complained that new rules on disclosure —

which governed the sales pro-cess — were hampering sales. However, figures from the Association of British Insurers published yesterday confirmed reports from individual insur-

ers that sales were picking up. New sales across the indus-try totalled £3.8 billion in the first quarter of the year, up 9 per cent on the corresponding three months of 1995. The ABI figures followed encouraging first-quarter life sales from the composites. Commercial Union said its life profits were up 13 per cent, and General Accident said its acquisition of Provi-dent Mutual, the life company, helped to counter the effects of severe winter weather.

Mark Boleat, ABI directorgeneral, said: The tentative, erst signs of an upturn in new life and pension business, which were evident towards the end of last year, have been reinforced in the first quarter of

C) The State Earnings Related Pension Scheme (Serps), will not be "restored to its former glory" if Labour wins the next election, according to Chris Smith, Labour's Shadow Social Security Secretary.

invests in Dublin venture

FROM EILEEN MCCABE

THE Duke of Westminister's Grosvenor Estate Holdings is to invest about Ir£60 million in a joint venture to develop a new shopping centre on the outskirts of Dublin. The investment is the first by the UK property investment and development group in the Repub-lic of Ireland.

Grosvenor's partner in the Quarryvale venture is O'Callaghan Properties, which is based in Cork and Ireland's leading developer of shopping centres.

The new shopping centre will occupy 252,000 sq ft of a 187-acre site at the junction of the N4 and M50 roads to the west of Dublin. O'Callaghan is reported to have spent up to Ir£20 million purchasing the site and securing planning permission for it.

The Grosvenor deal covers only the shopping centre as-pect of the development. planning permission for a hotel, a cinema, pub, restaurant and commercial buildings. Already, Marks & Spencer

and C&A have signed up as two of the anchor tenants in Quarryvale. The former is already established in Dublin. but Quarryvale will mark C&A's first move into the Republic's retail sector.

Work on the infrastructure for the site is expected to get under way by the end of this in early 1997 and the shopping centre should open the follow-

TOURIST RATES

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Lawrence payoff is less than predicted

THE Stock Exchange is to reveal a £350,000 payoff for Michael Lawrence, the chief executive sacked in January. The figure - lower than the £400,000 expected by observers will be revealed next month in the Exchange's annual report.
Yesterday the Exchange unveiled a 9 per cent fall in its underlying costs to £161.3 million for the year to March 31. There has been huge debate over how it will manage once it loses its share settlement role next month with the introduction of paperless share settlement under Crest. Last year's total income of £196.1 million included £66.6 million Pennington, page 27

Telewest raises £1.2bn

TELEWEST Communications, Britain's largest cable company, has raised £1.2 billion in debt to fund completion of its network in 1998. The company said the four and a half-year revolving loan by British, American and Canadian banks was arranged at a "very favourable" rate but would not elaborate. The network is about 53 per cent completed and analysts expect the company to end the year with positive operating cashflow. Telewest also plans to introduce number portability in August or September.

Liability campaign boost

THE campaign by the accountancy profession to win reform of the law on professional liability is growing through support from other professions. A letter was sent yesterday to lan Lang. President of the Board of Trade, urging him to set up a review of the principle of joint and several liability. Apart from the main UK accountancy bodies, signatories included the 100 Group of Finance Directors, the Institute of Actuaries, the National Association of Pension Funds and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. Penaington, page 27.

Pep rules tightened

SCOTTISH AMICABLE is to contest an official rule change that blocks attempts to circumvent the £6,000 personal equity plan limit. The Inland Revenue's move threatens a Pep recent launched by Scottish Amicable in which as much as £50,000 could be invested. The company claimed yesterday that the Revenue had examined the scheme in February. A spokesman said yesterday: "We believe that retrospective intervention by the Revenue more than three weeks into a six-week offer period raises serious issues for the investing public."

Water bid goes to MMC

GENERAL UTILITIES and Saur, French owners of the Folkestone, Dover and South East water companies, yesterday won the first round in their hostile bid for Mid Kent Holdings when the Department of Trade and Industry agreed to refer their bid directly to the MMC. Mid Kent had argued the bid was illegal, after GU gave assurances in 1989 that it would not increase its 19.5 per cent stake in the water company. Last month, the High Court referred the matter to the DTL, which has decided the MMC should resolve all issues.

British Steel action

BRITISH STEEL is to start legal action against the European Commission over £39 million in state subsidies given to Irish Steel. The action will challenge the legality of the financial support under article 95 of the Treaty of Paris. British Steel argues Irish Steel will be free to raise production from 266,000 tonnnes to 450,000 tonnes by the end of the decade, putting at risk 500 jobs in the UK. In June 1994 British Steel began legal challenges to state aid given to Ilva, Italian steel maker, and CSI of Spain.

Cranswick sales rise

CRANSWICK, the company which produces animal feeds and breeds pigs, recorded a 22 per cent sales increase to £142 million in the year to March 31, helped by a 75 per cent lift in the average price of pig to 140p per kilo. However, an increase in grain price and interest charges of £276,000 hit pre-tax profits, which nudged up 2.7 per cent to £3.12 million. Sales in bird feed rose 24 per cent to £9.9 million, 7 per cent of overall-sales. The final dividend is 6.6p, making a year total of 9.20p (8.65p). Earnings rose to a record 15.6p (14.6p).

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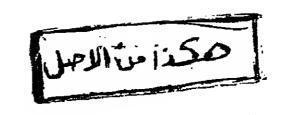
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☐ Continental unrest strikes a warning ☐ Banks fret over company news delay ☐ Business balks at the environmental bill

GERMANY'S spate of industrial bloodymindedness may bode ill for New Labour's wel-fare reform plans. Not because it highlights the costs of welfare hand-outs — those costs have been well known ever since the Federal Republic concocted its blend of generosity and eff-iciency in the 1950s, and they can hardly come as a surprise in the UK. The real significance of this

week's warning strikes" (warning to whom?) are that they provide a graphic display of German labour inflexibility. This column argued yesterday that an unseen effect of Labour's punitive taxation plans, which this time will target the rich including the big hitters in the City among others, could be the flight of much of the financial services industry overseas. The City is equally concerned about

the effect on inward investment of Labour's social policies. The German experience shows why. That country's social market model has run its course. Even the Germans can no longer afford to work half as much as the Poles and pay themselves ten times more. But New Labour is explicitly trying to copy the German system, where the workers not the bosses are the fat cats. In his New Labour bible The State We're In, Will Hutton says Germany has shown that its

muddled brand of capitalism has

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Fighting shy of German practices

given it an "inbuilt competitive

advantage". What the German experience has really shown is that welfare generosity a la Bonn is a classic ratchet effect. Once the welfare beneficiaries have received their part of the cake they will regard it as theirs forever. According to Bild newspaper, one worker's response to Helmut Kohl's El3 billion spending cuts was that now he could only afford a second-hand car. Germans are taking their privileges for granted. Any future government trying to take it away from them will get a bloody nose - as Herr Kohl is about to find out. Similarly, Tony Blair's stakeholders might rather drive their stake through his heart than

hand it back. The hysterical public reaction in France last year to some distinctly modest proposals for austerity, set for a repeat performance this summer, suggest the same lesson: inflexibility may be the main consequence of Labour's welfare reforms. This is certainly the City's fear: a national minimum wage, a Social Chapter, or a job creation programme. If Labour pushes through drastic reforms they will create rigidities. These will not only slow the domestic economy down but also scare away for-

eign investors.

By comparison, the cost issue is marginal. Money spent on any worthy project is not wasted. And how worthy Labour will be we will not know until Tony Blair and Gordon Brown are neighbours in Downing Street. They will not be signing any "long suicide notes" ahead of an election. But if their plans create inflexibility on a German scale, then they are bad news however worthy they may look.

Time is money even in the City

IT goes against the grain to feel sympathy for the long days put in by the City merchant banks and other advisers, who tend to be paid by the hour. But there is a mood of discontent among the breed at delays at the Exchange's information dissemination system, the Regulatory News Service (RNS).

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This is the beast that churns out the yards and yards of dull company news that have to be scanned by analysts for the odd

and picky feeder.

The Stock Exchange clearly bas higher priorities than RNS.
The latest financial resetting stripped of one offer succepting. stripped of one-offs, suggest income may still be running some £10 million below costs and there may be more pain to come even if tronic trading system has been self-financing. But coteries of banks have emerged in the past muttering about cutting out RNS altogether even if no one has yet had the bottle to defy the Exchange. They could yet.

At present, it is hard to input

this summer's Sequence elec-

company news electronically because the computers at the exchange are 15 years old. This leads to the daft requirement, reminiscent of old Fleet Street at its worst, for every line of those announcements to be typed in again by hand once delivered in paper form. It all leads to awful logjams during busy periods,

such as the early mornings. This is a more important matter than lost beauty sleep for overpaid advisers, because deays in broadcasting vital information can cost money, if one half of the market knows the facts and the other does not. Such delays have occurred during fast-moving takeover bids.

There is no natural monopoly held by the RNS - an electronic line to Reuters, whose technology can handle the announcement in seconds, would be quite legal. For its part, the exchange does not deny the system is tech-nologically outmoded. In March, for example, RNS handled almost 10,000 announcements, two thirds of them retyped from hard copy. Distribution of the necessary computer ware to all listed companies is taking place,

but will not be completed before the fourth quarter. Why so long? Must festina lente always be the exchange's watchword?

Not too green to fall for business survey

☐ YOU are telephoned by a man with a clipboard. In your normal course of business do you A) care deeply about the environment; or B) prefer to bash seal cubs over the head with baseball bats made out of irreplaceable tropical hardwoods?

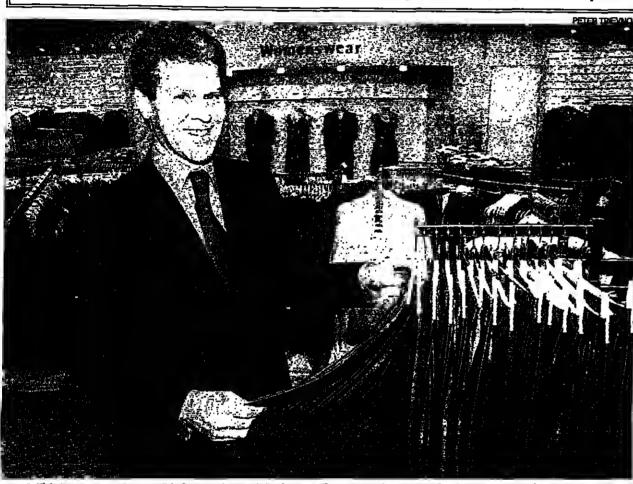
Do you A) worry about the health and safety of your employ-ees; or B) routinely work them to death and poison the swine when they run out of puff? And would you like the taxpayer to pay you to be more environmentally friendly? Note that there is no alternative to this question.
Welcome again to the world of

self-fulfilling surveys. The latest "proves" that seven out of ten companies now care more about the environment than they did a year previously. This rather makes one wonder about the other three. Have they reached a state of Nirvana-like perfection, at which lofty plane they could not possibly care more. Or couldn't they care less? Anyone who has picked up the

phone and discovered one of these clipboards on the other end knows the heart-sinking realisation that a good balf hour is about to be wasted. The real fear is that they might somehow influence public policy—catch a politician at a moment of weakness, perhaps. This survey reaches the astounding conclu-sion that one thing holding companies back from implementing green policies is the cost. They are none too keen on picking up the tab, naturally, in the form of extra tax and charges. Instead, they want incentives or tax breaks. So who should pay for greener business? You guessed it — you and me.

Balance of blame

☐ THERE is something unedifying about the sight of the big accountants hurrying off to Jersey to form limited liability partnerships. They insist this is their best protection against huge civil actions. Meanwhile, various professions, including the bean-counters, are demanding government action to limit partners' joint and several liabilthere in protecting accountants?



Keith Edelman, Storehouse chief executive, at Bhs in Reading yesterday when the group reported a successful year

Imro fines Adams & Nevile

By ROBERT MILLER

A SENIOR City watchdog yesterday fined a Londoobased private client fund manager more than a year's worth of profits for a number of serious rule breaches. The Investment Manage-

ment Regulatory Organis-ation (Imro), which polices fund managers, fined Adams & Nevile Asset Management £20,000 against a profit of £14,619 in 1994-95. In addition, the firm was ordered to pay compensation of £59,000 to 35 investors for losses incurred as a result of advice received from the company.

Imro found Adams & Nev-ile guilty of failing to take all reasonable steps to ensure that investors who bought the risks. The company subsequeotly failed.

Burford seeks £142m to buy property portfolio

BY CARL MORTISHED

BURFORD, the property group which last November spun off the Trocadero as a quoted leisure company, is raising £142 million in a rights issue to shareholders. The new money will finance the purchase of a £70.8 million portfolio of properties from Shell Pensions Trust and provide funding for the development of a shopping and leisure complex on Finchley Road, North London.

Burford's rights issue comes after a cash call from Chelsfield on Tuesday, also targeted at investment in the capital. Chelsfield's £100 million rights is earmarked for its White City retail and leisure development in West London and both companies are taprecent surge in property shares. Since the start of March, Burford's share price has risen 38 per cent in value. The property company also announced a reverse takeover of Carnell, the USM-quoted publisher, in a £14 million deal involving the purchase by Carnell of Columbus Holdings for shares. Columbus, which publishes travel directories, including The World Travel Guide, is 50 per cent owned by Burford, which intends to distribute the Carnell stock to iıs shareholders as a dividend. Burford shareholders will end up with 43 per cent of Carnell, which is changing its name to Columbus and joining the Official List.

Burford will issue 119 million shares in rights on a two-for-five basis at 122p, a discount of 15 per cent from the Leslau, chief executive of Burford, said the new funds would provide extra purchas-

ing power indicating that, after the share issue, the company could spend £362 million while remaining with-in a self-imposed gearing limit of 100 per cent. After the rights, net asset value, including the Carnell shares, will increase from 104.3p to 107.3p. Burford's gearing will fall from 56 to 23 per cent.

The Shell Pensions portfolio totals seven properties, including a shopping centre in Shrewsbury, a retail park and three freehold hotels, producing £4.9 million in rent. Mr Leslau said the income should increase to £6.9 million over the three years, increasing the yield 7 per cent to just under 10 per cent. The Finchley Road development is expected to pleted value of £60 million.

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Storehouse results lifted by Mothercare profit leap

STOREHOUSE, the Mothercare to Bhs retail group. money out of sales last year. helping to drive pre-tax profits up by 21 per cent, to £109.9 million, in the year to March

The better than expected rise in profits reflected fewer markdowns, which helped to lift gross margins by more than 1.5 percentage points. Keith Edelman, chief execu-

rive, said: "Storehouse has had another successful year." He added that the current year "has started steadily", and he joined other leading retailers in saying that there was evidence of a revival in consumer confidence, but "we expect the overall retail envirooment will be as challenging this year as last".

The advance in profits was achieved on the back of a 4.6 per cent rise in sales to £1.08

billion. After stripping out the figures for One Up, the chain of clothing stores sold last June. group sales rose by 3 per The sale of the stores resulted in a £1.2 million exceptional profit.

The biggest jump in profits was achieved by Mothercare, which notched up a 42 per cent leap in operating profits, to £24.2 million. The advance follows a 68 per cent increase

like sales fell by 1 per cent. As a result the rise in profits reflected a healthy 2.1 percentage point rise in the 272-strong chain's operating margin to 7.6 per cent. The company said that Mothercare had a strong first half, but that sales growth eased off in the second half, partly due to "some weakness in product range and

Bhs. the group's biggest division, saw operating profits rise II per cent to £77.4 million on sales, excluding One Up, ahead 2 per cent at £742.7 million. The chain of 135 stores lifted operating margins from 9.2 per cent to 10.3 per cent. In contrast to Mothercare,

Bhs had a slow start to the year, with sales picking up during the second half. Blazer lifted operating profit by 37 per cent, to £400,000, on sales ahead 3 per cent at £14.8

The final dividend was lifted from 3.6p to 4.2p, making a intal for the year of 7.2p, up from 6.3p last time. The dividend, due August B, is payable out of earnings of 17.8p a share, up from 14.8p last time. The shares fell 7p to 327p.

McDonald's signs ten-year promotion deal with Disney

FROM RICHARD THOMSON IN NEW YORK WALT DISNEY, the entertain-

ments company, and McDonald's, the hamburger chain. signed a ten-year marketing deal that combines two of the world's strongest brand names. McDonald's will have the exclusive right to promote Disney films and videos in its 18,700 restaurants worldwide. The hamburger chain will also have the right to open

new Dinoland attraction at Disney World in Florida. Michael Eisner. Disney's chairman, hailed the agreement as a "a true McDisney production". The promotions,

of McDonald's clientele. new restaurants in Disney's victory for McDonald's over theme parks in Florida and rival Burger King in a long-Paris, and will sponsor the

customers workfwide who eat at McDonald's restaurants every day, are largely aimed at children who make up the core The deal is a significant

running banle to promote Disney films. Until now Mc-Donald's relationship with Disney has been intermittent. covering a few films and more recently a McTrivia quiz game with questions based on Diswhich will reach 33 million

ney children's films.

Recently Burger King has won the promotional rights 10 blockbusters such as Toy Story and The Lion King. It is also promoting this summer's Disney release. The Hunchback of Notre Dame.

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BNB to be hit by more defections By Clare STEWART

BNB Resources, the executive recruitment and training group, is facing a further defection of senior staff when it emerged yesterday that five headhunters may leave its New York subsidiary. Norman Broadbent International (NBI). David Norman, executive chairman of

BNB, told shareholders at yesterday's annual meeting that the five executives may have gone by the end of July.

Sources in the United States confirmed that the staff would be leaving, and are contemplating legal action over nonpayment of bonuses.

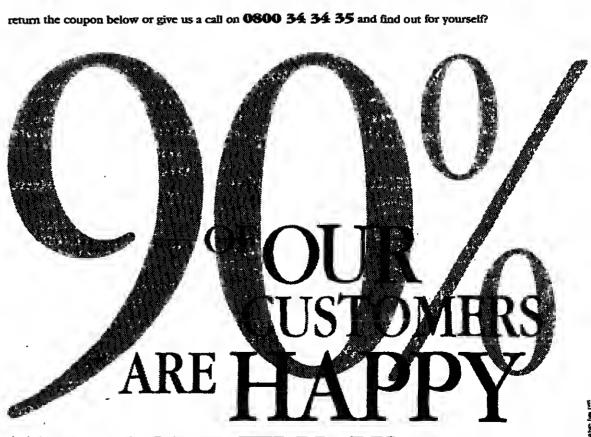
The problems in New York come soon after the departure of senior personnel in London. In February, Miles Broadbent, former chief executive of NBI, "retired", while last month three directors of the financial services division quit.

On Tuesday, it was announced that Andrew Goodman, founder and chief executive of Goodman Graham, the IT recruitment company acquired by BNB last year, had left after a difference of opinion over its management. He is planning to sue BNB for unfair dismissal

and breach of contract. In his statement to shareholders, Mr Norman said NBI had been "managing purposefully," after the departure of its key personnel. Although both Mr Broadbent and the three directors of the financial services division had set up

their own recruitment agencies, Mr Norman said that all four will "continue to work in association with NBI for 12 months". This refers to a contractual requirement for the four men to pay 50 per cent of their earnings to NBI.

The acquisition cost of Goodman Graham will drop to £4.5 million, compared to the maximum stated of £7 million after the departure of Mr Goodman, as he will not be entitled to participate in the three-year earnout agreement, Mr Norman said. The first four months of this year showed "an encouraging advance" on the same period last year, he went on. "We remain very positive as to our prospects . . . "



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Retail sector revives as brokers turn bullish

SHARES of the high street supermarket chains are back in vogue. They were chased sharply higher after a clutch of unrelated brokers' recommendations

UBS took the lead by recommending the whole sector to clients on the basis that, as things cannot get any worse, it is probably time to start looking for the recovery.
UBS was followed closely by

rivals NatWest Securities and BZW. NatWest has upgraded its_recommendation for Argyli. soon to be renamed Safeway, from a "hold" to an "add". The shares responded with a jump of 6p to 350p. It has also raised its rating for Tesco, up 6p at 293p, from "reduce" to "hold", but has removed Asda, 112p lighter at 11812p, from its buy list. J Sainsbury rose 5p to 384p, as 6.3 million shares were traded.

Another positive peformance overnight on Wall Another Street failed to cut any ice with investors in London. Booksquaring by the institutions ahead of the bank holiday weekend saw early interest soon wane. The FT-SE 100 index frittered away a 16-point rise to end the session 17.2 points down at 3.747.0, Turnover was 971 million shares.

Cable and Wireless lost ground despite full-year fig-ures bener than expected. Brokers said the fall in the share price of 13p to 446p stemmed from the group's insistence that it was not interested in renewing merger talks with BT, or any other telecoms company. It seems prospects for the group now depend heavily on what Richard Brown, the recently appointed chief executive, can pull out of the hat.

The City has taken the view for some time that C&W is a company without a strategy. It had been hoped that a merger with BT would solve the group's problems, but now another solution must be found to enhance earnings. BT finished 5p cheaper at

Vendome, the luxury goods group, climbed 17p to 607p as up in business, It follows the warm reception given to shares of Saks Fifth Avenue on Wall Street this week and bumper figures from some of the other luxury US store

The City gave a lukewarm reception to full-year figures



Martin Mays-Smith, left, Paul Rivers, financial director, centre, and Mike Watts, chief executive, of Morland

from Storehouse, down 7p at 327p, with brokers having already downgraded their profit forecasts after an earlier run-down of Christmas trading. Their concern was justified with Bhs and Mothercare clearly finding the going difficult. Pre-tax profits grew from £90.5 million to £108.7 million. but further rationalisation is expected and brokers are wor-

this has been reflected in the share price. Traders are hope-

ful of recovery. Courtaulds has been on the verge of losing its place as a constituent of the top 100 companies. United News & Media. down 5p at 739p, Orange, 4p off at 239¹2p, Railtrack, 1p lighter at 218p, Next, 6p fimer at 558p and Lucas industries, up op at

T&N, the automotive components group, fell 6p to 148p as a line 9.43 million shares went through the market at 145p. It co-incides with claims that SBC Warburg, the broker, has turned negative on asbestosis liability after a recent court verdict. Almost 24 million shares had changed hands by the close.

ried about the long-term outlook for Children's World.

Courtaulds, the chemicals supplier, recovered some of its poise with a much-needed rally of 16p to 43Sp as traders continued to reflect on the positive view of prospects despile this week's profits setback. The slump in the worldwide chemicals market has made a hole in profits and

237p. are all regarded as contenders to take its place.

Morlands, the brewer famous for its Old Speckled Hen ale, cheered the City with a sparkling set of half-year figures showing pre-tax profits up from £4.68 million to £0.1 million. Its tenanted and managed pubs estate outper-formed many of its rivals, which surprised brokers. But



Martin Mays-Smith, has been forced to downgrade estimates for the full year on the back of a El million increase in costs

Enterprise linus continued to niake headway, adding 19p at 229p in the wake of this week's acquisition of

Interbrew pubs.

Pilkington, Britain's biggest glassmaker, fell 6p 10 194p amid claims that SBC Warburg, its joint house broker, was becoming increasingly cautious about prospects. It followed a presentation for brokers earlier this week by rival glassmaker St Gobain, which painted a gloomy picture of the industry, depressed by overcapacity and weak pricing. Earlier this year Pilkington announced plans to take £155 million of restructuring costs on the chin.

Over on the Alternative Investment Market, shares of Mulberry Group, the leather bags and fabrics supplier, got off to a positive start. Placed at 153p by Teather & Greenwood. the broker, the price opened at 190p before settling at 185p, a premium 32p.

A warning of a drop in profits left Crabtree Group. the Gateshead engineer, nursing a fall of 49p at 278p. A slowdown in orders from the Far East was blamed. Several large projects have also been carried over into next year. The group said pre-tax profits would be substantially less than the £4.88 million achieved last time.

☐ GILT-EDGED: London bond prices enjoyed an early mark-up, taking their lead from the overnight strength of US treasury bonds and some weaker than expected retail sales. Institutional investors proved reluctant to open fresh positions ahead of the extended weekend break, with prices soon losing their early momentum to close below the

best of the day. In futures, the June series of the long gilt touched £1061116 before closing five ticks better at £1061332. A total of 50,000 contracts were completed. In longs, treasury 8 per cent 015 climbed E⁷32 to finish at

treasury 8 per cent 2000 firmed £1s to £102516. NEW YORK: The profit takers returned to Wall Street after Wednesday's record close and by midday the Dow Jones industrial average was 13.30 points lower at 5,764.70.

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Rescued by Children

the nick of time, as the retailer is badly in need of some growth. That may seem an unfair accusation to make against a company that produced a 17 per cent increase in retailing profit last year but Storehouse is in a pickle because, while it has been doing very well squeezing more profit from the business, sales

have been flat or negative. Top line growth has always been a weak point for Storehouse and last year was no exception with BhS losing market share from existing stores, only edging into growth of 2 per cent in the final quarter. Mothercare also had a grim year for sales after a strong start. Product ranges were not in line with fashion

trends but more worrying, the supply chain failed to deliver product when needed. Storehouse sales were only a little worse

STOREHOUSE bought Children's World in than those of the market leader. Marks & Spencer does not reveal its like-for-like sales but some analysis estimate a figure not much above inflation for clothing. In fact, Store-house has adopted a deliberate strategy of improving margin by reducing end of season discounting. Money has been spent on the supply chain and BhS is enjoying refus to reduce the brand's association with discounts.

The trouble is that Storehouse has probably

seen most of the margin gain. With operating returns a few points adrift of the market leader, it can expect only minor improvements. Its big task now is to get more sales through the tills. In that respect Children's World is nicely timed. Storehouse will spend some £14-£16 million to refashion the new company into Mothercare. That gives the group every incentive to make it work.

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Go-Ahead Group

HAVING torn apart the nation's public road transport, the Government is sitting back and watching entrepreneurs stitch it together again into a number of private fieldoms. In the coming consolidation, yesterday's deal gives Go-Ahead a better chance of becoming one of four or five national hus operators.

Go-Ahead was weakened recently by a price war in the Oxford area that forced it to issue a profits warning in March.

The experience gave it more of the look of prey than predator. So the London purchase, which should give an immediate boost to earnings is good news for the

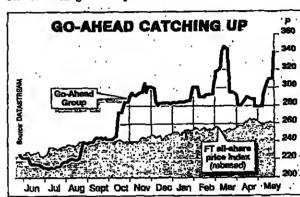
Go-Ahead's ambitions are not as far-reaching as those of Stagecoach or FirstBus, but in London this deal puts also interested in running some of British Rail's urban Newcastle's Go-Ahead on a par with Cowie, the Sunderland-based operator Leaside, Grey-Green and South London Buses.

Go-Ahead's next opportunity to expand will be as part of a consortium bid to run the Docklands Light Rail-

way, the loss-making rail service linking the City to

Success in those ventures and an end to its trouble in Oxford, still leaves Go-Ahead looking slightly vulnerable as a niche operator but it has a better chance of suriving the coming hattle of the bus barons.

London's Docklands, it is



Burford

ANY other property company might have found it difficult to justify this rights issue. With gearing a touch over 50 per cent, Burford is raising £140 million and the only justification offered is the purchase of a £70 million. portfolio on a 7 per cent intial

Burford does have a shopping and leisure centre to build in Finchley - that will cost £40 million - and a £15 million distribution centre to build for Argos. Yet, Burford could easily finance such ventures without recourse to shareholders — following the rights issue, gearing will fall to 23 per cent leaving the to 23 per cent, leaving the company with an embarrass-ment of equity.

For a property company with such good growth prospects - Burford can expect a handsome development surstrategy of low gearing is absurd and the only conclusion is that Burford either

believes a cataclysm is nigh or the rights is an opportunistic move to build up firepower before a big deal.

The latter seems more likely: yesterday's portfolio purchase was curious, because it seemed a little dull by Burford standards although the company promises strong growth in the rents. Based on past successes, Burford's cash call will be well supported but priced at such a premium to net asset value, investors will want the next deal to fly.

TeleWest

THE cable industry's darkest days are now behind it. After a disastrous winter, the shares of the six listed players have clawed their way back to their issue prices and several companies are expected to finish the year with posi-

tive operating cash flow. Banks apparently share this newfound confidence. TeleWest, the largest operator, has secured £1.2 billion in

new debt, enough for it to fin-ish ripping up the streets.

The upward trend should

continue for the rest of the year with the introduction of phone number portability, which allows customers to keep the same number when they change to competing op-

BT is losing 50,000 customers a month to the cheaper cable companies and the rate will accelerate once portability becomes widespread; it is so far limited to Nyoex's franchises

Before buying more cable shares, remember that profits are still a long way off and the industry is facing a wave of potentially disruptive consolidation. Also, number portability could also benefit BT. The telephone giant can dircuts at any business segment it likes. If it aims them at residential telephony, it could win customers back from the

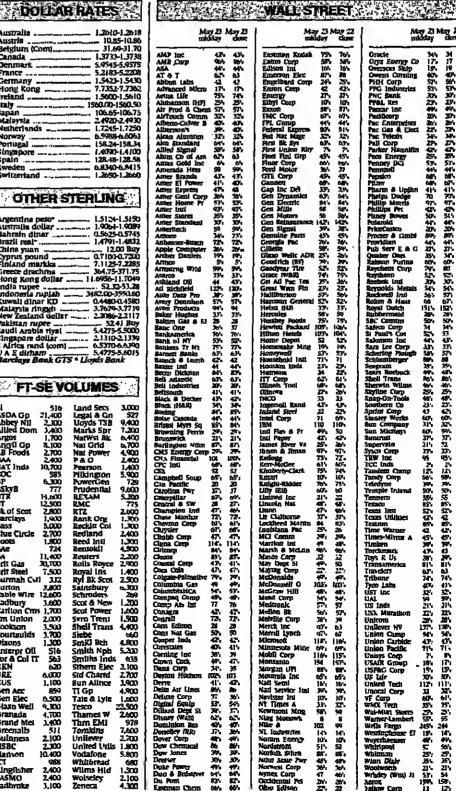
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calls it a day BUSINESS AGE, the fi-

nancial monthly that upset the Queen over her estimeted wealth, has been shut after failing to meet news stand sales targets. At 10 o'clock yesterday morning. Peter Kirwan. the editor, heard that his baby had been put to bed for the last time, on the instruction of Rund Bakker, VNU Business Publications managing director. The megazine was bought from Tom Rubython, now editor of Sunday Business. and his partner Nigel Jagger, for a reputed £3 million last summer. Personal Computer Mogazine. another publication in VNU's 20-strong portfolio. has also been closed, to make way for a yet-to-benamed business PC maga-

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HING Up

AFTER three decades of campaigning for social change, Anita Roddick has decided to include some spice in The Body Shop's annual report. The "Chairman's statement" on pages one to three penned by T. Gordon Roddick, comes before the "Chairman's wife's statement" that covers a meagre half page. Nowhere does it say that the latter is the founder and chief executive of the cosmetics company. According to a spokesman: "Anita wanted to inject some humour into the report."



That would be before England beat Chine 3-0"

Sooty's target

GORDON POWER, MD of Guinness Mahon Development Capital, the company that splashed out £1.4 million for Sooty yester-day, is said to have carried the deal on his shoulders. As the only family man at GMDC, Power was picked out to take his children to Sooty's Christmas show at the Bloomsbury Theatre last December. Until then. Power was a fan of Sooty's clean" character, in the belief that the naughriest thing that the bear had done was to squirt the Duke of Edinburgh with e water pistol. But when Sooty's former keeper Matthew Corbett recognised Power in the audience. he made Guinness Mahon the butt of his

Touch of class

SIR Michael Wilmot. owner of The Beaufort hotel in Knightsbridge. gala evening in Los Angeles, hosted by British hoteliers. When all around were in lounge suits, to the delight of American guests at the Bel Air bash, Sir Michael arrived in white tie. Howerd Malin, owner of The Feathers in Woodstock, feeling scruffy in comparison, bit back in his speech: We've spared no expense, bringing our own baronet to act as e waiter for this evening."

IS THE London Stock Exchange preparing itself for the next big crash? At the bottom of a list of pfinning consents on delegated authority of the Gity Planning Officer" is one for the installation of o safety handraif to the roof perimeter of the Throgmortun Street

MORAG PRESTON

Power of the generators faces a new challenge

At issue is whether they hold too much sway over

pricing, says

Christine Buckley

tephen Littlechild, the electricity regulator, is about to grap-ple again with the thorny issue of competinon in generation. His attention has been forced on the subject by the threat from PowerGen, the country's second largest genera-tor, that it might not sell the power stations it has been ordered to until it gets guidance on how the electricity industry can develop. The move follows the surprise government block on its takenver of a regional company, along with that of National

Along with Nanonal Power, PowerGen is obliged under the regulator's orders to sell some power stations to encourage more competi-tion in generation. The aim, particu-larly, is to spark further rivalry in the important price-setting area of the wholesale market for power, in which generators bid prices they want related to expected demand.

PowerGen is aggreeved that it has not been allowed to expand its business by taking over Midlands Electricity and wants clarification on the policy for development. It claims its market share of geoeration is dropping to such an extent that it should not be penalised on the grounds of too much market influence.

Others, including the electricity reg-ulator and some regional electricity companies, do not agree. They argue that PowerGen and National Power, the largest generator, hold too much sway over power prices.

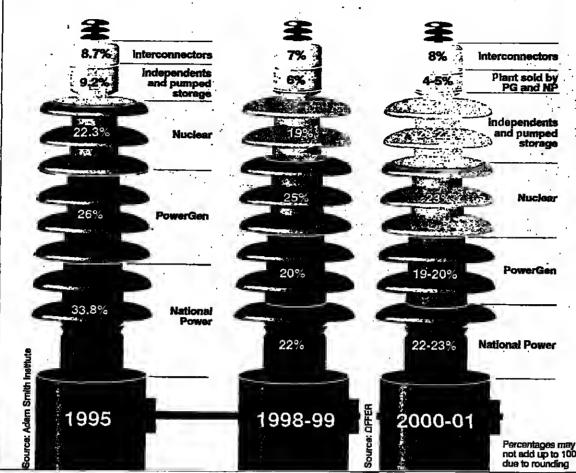
A report by BZW, the brokers, predicts that the price-setting part of generation is likely to be duminated by the two main players for some time to come. It predicts that in 1999 National Power will have 37 per cent of the capacity in the mid-merit market and PowerGen will have 33 per cent. Immediately after that the broker sees a slight dropping away as new plant come on-stream, but it still sees the twn main players controlling 60 per cent of price-setting area.

The report also casts doubt on the view that prices are falling in line with increased competition. It says: "National Power and Power Gen have had a strong interest in promoting a pessimistic view of electricity prices in recent months for three reasons: to convince Offer that the generating market really is competitive, requiring no regulation; to bolster the case for buying a regional electricity company: to discourage the building of further new generation plant."

The two main generators have about 85 per cent of the mid-merit area of the electricity pool, although their overall share stands at 57 per cent. The Monopolies and Mergers Commission (MMC), in its inquiries into the takeovers by Nacional Power and PowerGen of Southern Electric and Midlands Electricity, made clear that the state of competinon in generation was a fundamental consideration. It did not, however, conduct any research into future market shares, relying instead on the projections of the two generators, the National Grid and the Office of Electricity Regulation. A spokesman for the MMC said that it had not had the time to undertake

independent research. Professor

WHO GENERATES THE POWER



Liolechild has recently hinted to analysts that he may consider forcing the generators to get rid of more power stations than he inically planned. In a rare briefing to the City, he indicated that competition may be given a

further helping hand.

The political temperature over competition in generation has also been raised. The surprise takeover veto and golden share endorsement by Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, came after growing unrest over the issue from Tory backbenchers such as John Redwood and Norman Lamont. Fears fur the stimulation of competi-

tiun in generatiun have been further raised by the similar deals struck by the generators to sell their power stadons. Both with Eastern Group, the regional

electricity company which is part of the Hanson conglomerate. Together the deals will make Eastern the fourth largest genera-lor. It will, however, only enter the generat-ing market with commercial restrictions attached by

PowerGen and Nacional Power, Both sales carry important earn-out clauses. That means that the more electricity generated into the wholesale market by Eastern, the more will go to the two largest generators in earnings-related

payments.
This continued market interest was not what the regulator orginally wanted to see. He had told the generators he wanted to see a clean sale, but then agreed to earn-out clauses up to 2003 with agreed payments for each megawatt hour produced. He stated that the earn-outs should not constrain the commercial freedom of the new owner to choose when and how to operate".

Such constraint would seem inevitable. Eastern will begin with a cost handicap when it enters the bidding in the wholesale market. It will be forced to factor this into the price it asks for its electricity or suffer commercial loss. Undercutting the prices of the two main generators in the important price-setting region of the wholesale market is, therefore, far less likely.

A National Power spokesman said that the earn-out deals, which require a lower up-front payment than an out-right sale, encouraged the buyer to bid competitively in mid-merit. He said: "Under different arrangements Eastern would have been expected to operate in the

baseload section where competition is The electricity less of an issue." regulator has Baseload pays lower prices for electricity but guarantees that made clear his output will be taken, whereas mid-merit doesn't. The chief exkeenness for competition in ecutive of one independent regional electricity company said: The proposed generation

solution does not end up achieving the regulator's stated aim of bringing competition into the crincally important mid-merit market." The deals between the generators

and Eastern that will introduce the third major player into the mid-merit market have puzzled some energy economists. Breaking down published figures, it has paid about £360 per kilowatt hour for the Nacional Power plant and about £200 per kilowatt hour for the PowerGen plant. A new combined cycle gas turbine plant with e life of at least 25 years would cost about E450 per kilowatt hour, according to market estimates. National Power's plant is thought to have a life remaining of about 10-15 years, while

PowerGen's starions have about seven to ten years left. In addition to the shorter lives, Eastern's acquired plant is expected to operate on a much reduced capacity - about 50 per cent as against a new plant's 85 per cent.

Energy economists have estimated a market price for National Power's plants as £180-£270 per kilowatt hour and for PowerGen's £125 per kilowan hour. On these calculations Eastern seems to have coughed up a premium of between 50 per cent and 100 per cent over a modern equivalent depreciated asset

Eastern's particular arrangement with PowerGen, whereby it gives the generator leave to reconsider the sale in the event of its takeover bid for Midlands being scuppered, has also caused some puzzlement. Eastern has maintained its confidence that the sale will proceed and has indicated it has a sub-clause of its own entered in the deal. It has not been prepared to reveal the nature of this and has kept silent as PowerGen has waved the threat of pulling out of the sale in front of the regulaior's nose.

The electricity regulator has made clear his keenness for competition in generation and his belief that that state has not yet been reached. So, too, has the Department of Trade and Industry, albeit with hopelessly vague definitions of an adequately competitive market.

PowerGen's throwing down of the gauntlet to the regulator may focus more attention in that area. A spokesman for the generator said: "There are 20 generators bidding into the pool. New players continue to enter the market and prices continue to fall. We have the most compentive electricity market in the world.

But with criffes expected to seize the opportunity to lobby again for the two main generators to be brought further to book, PowerGen could find it stands

BUSINESS LETTERS

Opt-out from European Social Chapter untenable

the Trades Union Congress Sir, I was very glad to read Robbie Gilberi's call to the Government to end Britain's opt-out from the European Social Chapter (Time to rejoin social policy debate, May 22). It is pleasing that his opin-ion, as an adviser to the CBt. now coincides precisely with the view the TUC has pressed since the signing of the Maastricht treaty. namely that the opt-out is untenable — instruments adopted by the 14 other

From the General Secretary of EU countries do come to influence the position in the UK - and that the Briosh Government, by excluding itself from the discussions, has left the field open to others to draft the legislation.

To use his own phrase. John Major must be living in "cloud-cuckoo land" when he maintains thet this opt-out, as well as the much-vaunted selfexclusion from EMU, can be sustained for much longer while the internal European market is integrating at some speed. The only result will be that we shall sign up eventually to rules we did not influ-

ence, as happened with the common agricultural policy.
As Robbie Gilbert argues, it is high time that Britain fully joins the club. Only then shall the beginning the common terminal to the common terminal to the common terminal to the common terminal term we be in a position to promote our nadonal interests. Yours sincerely

JOHN MONKS. General Secretary, TUC, Congress House, Great Russell Street,

Insider dealing laws in need of a re-draft

From Adrian FitzGcrald Sir. I read with interest your article Corporate Britain caught in profit warning paradox*, May 22), which examined reasons for the recent spate of profit warnings. Martin Waller is right to

attribute the current phenomenon at least in part to the tightening of the processes by which information is released to the stock market. However, he is wrong to conclude that the problem is one of "overreporting". If anything, it is one of under-reporting.

Certainly, official announœments via Stock Exchange channels have largely replaced the unofficial massaging of market expectations, a direct result of the new insider dealing legislation and reinforced guidance by the Exchange on the dissemination of price-sensitive information.

Whilst this trend has argu-ably created a fairer market for all participants, there is growing evidence that it has created a much less efficient shares can remain mis-priced for lengthy periods. Sharp reactions to official profit warnings can quickly correct such mis-pricings, but this is of no comfort to buyers at prices some 20-30 per cent

higher just days before. The answer is that if com-panies are obliged to manipulate expectations through official channels, then announcements, or bulletins, must become more frequent. The market and its participants will just have to learn to cope with the resultant deluge of information. Given the present interpretation of insider dealing legislation, this is the only way that investors can be sure that current share prices reflect known trading

Of course, the sensible thing

would be to re-draft the legislation. The new insider dealing laws from April 1994 are open to too many interpretations and, as a result, have had a disastrous affect on communications between the corporate sector and the City. The gross stock market inefficiency that has resulted is too

heavy a price to pay for just two insider dealing prosecutions in the last two years. Yours faithfully, ADRIAN FITZGERALD Pomathorn Farmhouse Penicuik, Midlothian.

Government are strong. Final-

Flaw in stress at work litigation trend Not all forms of mental

From Dr Peter Noble Sir, Your correspondent Ben disorder recur. Some robust Apfel (Business Letters, May ló) writing on the prospect of a "flood of liogadon" by employ-ees for nervous breakdown induced by stress at work, makes the important point that employers are only likely to be held responsible for the

second, or subsequent, break-

To be actionable the consequences of the work stress need to be "foreseeable". Psychiatric disorder is often recurrent and thus e first episoda can be interpreted as making subsequent episodes "foreseeable".

This logic will have adverse social consequences. It must tant both to take an applicant with a known history of previous disorder and to retain an existing employee who develexacerbate tha already severe difficulties that such people heve in finding and keeping employment. It will increase the stigma and the stress which confronts the ex-

individuals may be denied employment because they are deemed to constitute a theoretical liability. The numbers at risk are large — about 10 per cent of the population suffer at some stage from anxiety or depression, which are often stress-related. This new trend to litigation may compensate some ex-

padents but the main losers. aparı from employers, will be ordinary ex-patients who, having suffered a nervous breakdown, will now face ever more disadvantage and discrimina-con at work. It is unfortunate the scope of compensation can be widened by individual case decisions, which are taken without any discussion of the potendal social consequences and damage to the employment propects of ex-psychiat-Yours faithfully PETER NOBLE, MD FRCP

and FRC Psych, Emeritus consultant, Bethlem Royal Hospital and The Maudsley Hospital.

London, SE5.

Is this CBI policy?

From Denis MacShane, MP Sir, Robbie Gilbert, the CBI's employment adviser, writes ly, he argues for a new that "The Government should ministry that would cover offer to end the opt-oul" tif the health and safety matters, European Social Chapter employment and training. (May 22). He also suggests pensions, equal opportunines, that London could make commaternity pay, parental leave, mun cause with Sweden and and works councils. This [approach] corre-Ireland, two countries where sponds almost exactly to Gertrade union relationships with

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under its long-serving Labour Minister, Norbert Blüm. Mr Gilbert's views are interesting and important and I find myself in agreement with him. But do they represent new CBI policy? Perhaps the President of the CBI could write to you and let us know.

Yours faithfully DENIS MACSHANE, MP. House of Commons, SWI. many's Arbeitsministerium

Casualties rife in bank's quest for efficiency

Patricia Tehan on the tasks facing the man restructuring Lloyds TSB

eter Eliwood, the oew deputy chief execurive of Lloyds TSB. faces two unenviable tasks. The first is to put together the retail banking and financial services operations of two of the biggest banks in the country after their merger last December.

The second brings with it far more pain. After a Private Bill is epproved by Parlia-ment, probably some time next year, he must oversee the dramatic reduction of the combined banking group's 3,000-strong branch network accompanied by the loss of thousands of the combined bank's 40,000 jobs.

Mr Ellwood is seen by analysts as bringing a flood of new ideas to Lloyds. Under Sir Brian Pitman, chief executive, the bank has managed its grand strategy more effectively than most of its rivals but it has been behind most - particularly TSB - in its thinking on customer service, product development, information lechnology and management development. Mr Ellwood started his

mammoth task in January. He is far happier talking about the first of his iobs than the second. So far, ac-

cording to the bank, the ratio of Lloyds to

TSB appointments in the top two leyers of management is running at 50/50 in retail financial services, though the group support positions such as legal adviser and company secretary have all gone to Lloyds Bank executives. At the end of this month, the third management tier will be put in place — making 172 positions altogether.

Mr Ellwood said he was surprised by the similarity in culture between the two organisations. Lloyds has a far more up-market image than TSB and a much bigger base of corporate customers. But outsiders say the cultures of the two are quite different and il can only be a matter of time before a clash becomes

Lloyds TSB is using integration methods formulated by Boston Consulting to pusb the two banks together. This means an integration committee of six, chaired by Mr Ellwood, taking all major decisions on integration and running the business. A co-ordination team of ten reports to the top committee, reporting on the work undertaken by a series of task forces and process teams.

Mr Ellwood said the obvious place to start was the strategy — "to be a leading player in every one of our chosen markets". Then the integration team went on to ask what would make the merged bank "better, different from the competition". bearing in mind that "the strategic goal is increasing shareholder value".

In order to achieve this, he added, the bank has anempted to analyse "what customers really want and found that it is "excellence of service". For Lloyds TSB this nteans three things: "Highly competent staff; giving people the ability to do business where and when they want to; and making customers feel they are being

cared for."

Mr Ellwood said a new customer-focused structure put in place in April. organising the business by product, "is different from what Lloyds had, different to what TSB had". The most

important deci-6 It is only a Ellwood, was to close TSB's formatter of time banking adbefore there ministration centre is a clash of Birmingham and to concencultures 🤊 trate activities

Bristol, where Lloyds retail financial services operation is based. This move will involve the

loss of 500 jobs. "You cannot shy away from difficult decisions, staff expect you to take Ihem," said Mr Ellwood. "But they un-derstand the logic that we do not need two administration

centres. The big issue, yet to be addressed by the bank, is what happens to the branch network. The bank cannot push the two hranch networks together until a Private Bill is passed Parliament next year which means, said Mr Ellwood, "that the momentum of the business, the dialogue with the customer, all goes on without being affected by the

But despite the best efforts of Lloyds TSB to downplay the issue, it will push the bank through a great deal of pain and controversy next year and the effect on staff and the excellence of service Mr Ellwood is seeking should not be underestim-

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Terms set for votes on merger of insurers

By MARIANNE CURPHEY

HALF of the 46,700 shareholders in Royal Insurance need to vote in favour of the insurer's proposed merger with Sun Alliance to ensure the deal goes through next month.

They must account for 75 per cent of the equity value, which means that Mercury Asset Management, the fund manager and largest shareholder in both companies, will be a crucial player.

Shareholders in both companies have been sent documents outlining the structure of their proposed merger, which will create Britain's biggest insurance group.

An extraordinary general meeting for Royal Insurance Shareholders will take place immediately after a court hearmg on June 14. Share option schemes,

including those for executive directors, will be transferred to the new Royal Sun Alliance Group shares Royal Insurance said yesterday that policyholders would "experience no

immediate change as a result of the merger". The two companies expect to make £175 million savings by 1998 in the UK and overseas from the merger, and to spend an equivalent sum on one-off costs integrating the two

insurance companies. About 5,000 jobs will be lost as a result of the merger, with the majority going in the UK where the two companies head offices and international operations are to be merged. The two companies cur-rently employ more than 45,000 people worldwide. Snn Alliance has 25,000

shareholders. Of those who vote, 75 per cent need to be in favour of the merger for it to go ahead. Under the terms of the

merger, Royal shareholders will receive 1.067 Royal Sun Alliance shares for every 1,000 Royal shares and have been promised significantly enhanced earnings per share and dividend prospects".



Ian Harvey, chief executive, said yesterday that 52 new licences had been signed and 104 new inventions had been accepted for the company's portfolio

Go-Ahead pays £46m for London General buses

By Sarah Cunningham

personal interests. Mr member of BAT Industries.

THE Go-Ahead bus company has agreed to buy London General Transport Services, which runs buses in southwest and central London, and Surrey, for £46 million. The acquisition will give Go-Ahead control of 18 per cent of the London bus market.

Go-Ahead's shares rose 300 to 340p on news of the acquisition. Analysts said the addition of London General would be imm-

GEORGE GREENER has been appointed chief executive

of Hillsdown Holdings, the food manufacturing and pro-

cessing group. He will succeed David New-

ton, who has told the board he

intends to resign to pursue his

ediately earnings-enhancing and would take the pressure off Go-Ahead's Oxford operations, struggling against stiff competition. Concern about Oxford has been depressing Go-Ahead's shares. Yesterday, the company forecast a final dividend of 3.7p per share. It set an interim dividend of 1.85p in March. Go-Ahead, which is based in Gateshead, Tyne & Wear,

Hillsdown appoints new chief

Greener, 50, served for 20

years in the Mars Group.

latterly as managing director of Mars UK until 1991.

executive of BAT UK Finan-

cial Services and a board

Until recently he was chief

already runs London Central buses and expects to save on costs by combining some operations. Martin Ballinger, managing director, said some lay-offs were possible in the long term but not immediately because London General is profitable; it made £7.67 million in the year to March 31, on turnover of E52.8 million.

The purchase already has

Mr Newton, 53, will stay at

Hillsdown until September to

ensure a smooth handover.

He joined Hillsdown in 1982 and was appointed to the board in 1986, becoming chief

executive in 1993.

from shareholders in Mokett, London General's holding company, and full approval is expected next month.

Go-Ahead is keen to continue expanding and is hoping to be chosen to operate the Docklands Light Railway, it is also bidding for tenders to run other urban rail networks. The acquisition will be fund-

ed by a combination of a placing and open offer of 7.29 million new Go-Ahead shares at 290p each, raising £19.54 million. The rest will come from cash balances within London General and new bank borrowings.

Mokett was set up in 1994 when the bus company's managers and employees bought London General from London Regional Transport

Tempus, page 28 | flotation forecast.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Forward marches on through acquisition

ACQUISITIONS powered a 103 per cent rise in profits at Forward Group, the circuit board manufacturer, to £7.6 million before tax in the year to January 31, on turnover that rose 181 per cent to £66.8 million. Forward is paying a final rose 181 per cent to £66.8 million. Forward is paying a final dividend of 4.8p, making a total for the year of 8p, up from 6p. Earnings rose to 43p a share, compared with 36.2p. The company's shares rose 70p to 900p yesterday.

Further expansion is planned in the current year, as Forward has its sights on more acquisitions to expend in

Further expansion is planned in the current year, as Forward has its sights on more acquisitions to expand its range of activities. Last year's acquisitions, chiefly Exacta, a larger circuit board manufacturer bought for E13.5 million, contributed £4.8 million of profit at the operating level. Forward is paying a further consideration of £2.5 million for Exacta, in line with the profit-related purchase agreement.

Soros pledge to Russia

GEORGE SOROS, the billionaire financier, is planning to spend \$100 million of his own money on his biggest philanthropic scheme so far to promote the Internet in Russia. The aim is to install Internet connections at universities across Russia over the next five years to help in the building of a more open society, he said. He will open the first of 32 Internet centres at Yaroslavl, a city near Moscow,

Wales lures £5m plant

SPM, the American plastics company, yesterday announced plans for a E5 million plant in the Cynon Valley, South Wales, which will open early next year and create 130 new jobs, SPM, a subsidiary of Dynacast, is one of the top ten injection moulding. companies in North America. It supplies telecommunications, electronics and automotive companies. One of its biggest customers, Northern Telecom of Canada, has a plant in Cwmcarn, South Wales, which influenced SPM's decision.

B Elliott lifts profits

B ELLIOTT, the engineering group engaged in manufacturing and measurement systems, power conversion and control equipment, lifted pre-tax profits to £5.1 million in the year to equipment, lined pre-tax profits to E.1 million in the year to March 31 from E4.3 million previously. Earnings were 10.08p a share (8.84p). The final dividend of 1.8p a share lifts the total to 3p (2.5p). The company proposes to sell Newall Aerospace, which accounted for 5 per cent of last year's turnover of £118.4 million. The shares rose 4p to 91p yesterday.

Southnews advances

SOUTHNEWS, the publisher of free and paid-for newspapers in London and the Home Counties, lifted pre-tax profits by 6 per cent to £3.37 million in the year to March 30 despite a sharp increase in newsprint prices. Higher advertising rates allowed operating profit to rise by 36 per cent to £4.6 million, with a £237,000 contribution from the newly purchased Croydon Advertiser. The final dividend was raised to 4.05p (3.10p), making a year total of 5.81p (4.45p).

Euromoney ahead

EUROMONEY PUBLICATIONS earned £11.5 million before tax in the half-year to March 31, rising from £10.4 million in the first half of the previous year. Earnings were 32p a share, against 30p. The interim dividend is held at 14p a share. The company, which held cash of £34 million at March 31, is again actively seeking acquisitions. The company is committed to spending £9.5 million on further equity stakes in existing subsidiaries and associates.

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Japanese invest in **Scotland**

BY OUR CITY STAFF

MORE than 200 jobs are to be created in Scotland through Japanese electronics firms.

is to carry out a £5 million expansion of its plant at Cumbernauld, near Glasgow. which will create 119 jobs over the next three years, while Kohdensha is to invest E6.5 millioo in a new plant at Dunfermline, Fife, which will create 87 jobs over four years. The move was announced in Tokyo today by Michael For-syth, the Scottish Secretary, who is on a tour of Japan to promote Scotland as a location for inward investment. Both their presence in Scotland as a spin-off of a £10 million investment announced last year by Canon, the electronics group. at Glenrothes, Fife.

Kohdensha, which is part of Mitsubishi, will make circuit boards for Canon printers. and Tenma, which set up an operation at Cumbernauld five years ago, will make other printer components.

Mr Forsyth hailed the move as a vote of confidence for Scotland which would reinforce its international electronAPI makes cash call | Breweries for £20m purchase

BTG share

price rises

to a record

BY OUR CITY STAFF

SHARES of BTG, the patent

licensing group that was for-

merty state-owned, rose to a high of £18.15 yesterday after the company said it had made further progress in bringing its portfolio of inventions to

The shares, which were

placed on the stock market at

225p in July 1995, closed at

£17.55, down 30p on the day.

lan Harvey, chief executive, said 52 new licences had been

signed with companies world-

wide and 104 new inventions

were accepted for the portfo-

lio. The company has high hopes for Torotrak, a variable

transmission system, with Toyota joining Ford as licens-

ec. It is being incorporated into a fleet of Ford Mondeos.

BTG incurred pre-tax losses of £2.74 million (£370,000 loss)

for the year to the end of March. A maiden final divi-

dend of 4p a share meets the

the marketplace.



Michael Smith, API's chief executive, surprised the City

API, the international plastics, foil and coatings group, has bought the specialist film and packaging group Learnyd for £20 million. The acquisition will be funded from the proceeds of a £37 million share issue (Fraser Nelson writes). The move, which took the City by surprise, came as API announced record pre-tax profits of £4.22 million (£3.3) million) for the six months to March 30. on sales of £58.2

million (£44.1 million). It lifted the dividend to 4.48p (4.07p).
The acquisition will extend API's packaging interests and bring contracts with Next, Boots and Marks & Spencer. API will pay an extra £2 million for Learoyd if key executives stay and its pre-tax profits reach £3 million by April 1997. Learnyd achieved pre-tax profits of £2.3 million on sales of £12 million in the

year to April 30.

'will keep tied sales'

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

MARTIN MAYS-SMITH, the chairman of Morland, yesterday said he was confident that the right of brewers to sell beer to tied retailers at a higher price than for free sales would be extended after the existing agreement expires in 1997.

He said that positive comments made by the Office of Fair Trading and the relatively small proportion of tied-sale agreements suggested that the existing arrangements, known as block exemption, would be

Mr Mays-Smith was speaking after the brewing and pub retailer announced a 30 per cent rise in half-year profits to £6.1 million. Overall turnover rose 26 per cent to E37 million. Retail profits increased by 60 per cent, helped by the acquisition of the Unicorn and Chapman pub chains, Underlying operating profits in the pub division rose by 10 per cent. Profits from the tenanted estate rose 10 per cent, with a 6 per cent increase in rent. although beer volumes fell by

2 per cent.
The interim dividend was. increased by 9 per cent to 3.6p. payable on July 12. Shares in the company rose 6p to close at

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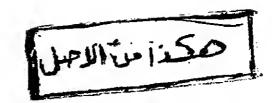
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Turnover	£5,517m	£5,133m	+7%		
Operating profit	£1,311m	£1,134m	+16%		
Pre-tax profit	£1,341m	£8 44 m	+59%		
Pre-tax profit excluding exceptional items	£1,262m	£1,144m	+10%		
Earnings per share	27.5p	11.5p	+139%		
Earnings per share excluding exceptional items Dividend for the year	26.4 _p 10.00 _p	23.6p 9.05p	+12% +10%		

Final dividend of 6.92p is payable on 2 September 1996 to Shareholders on the Register at 11 June 1996. If you have any queries as a Cable & Wireless Shareholder, please call us on 0171 315 4455. Copies of the Annual Report & Accounts will be posted to Shareholders on 3 June 1996. Internet web site number: http://cwix.com/cwplc/

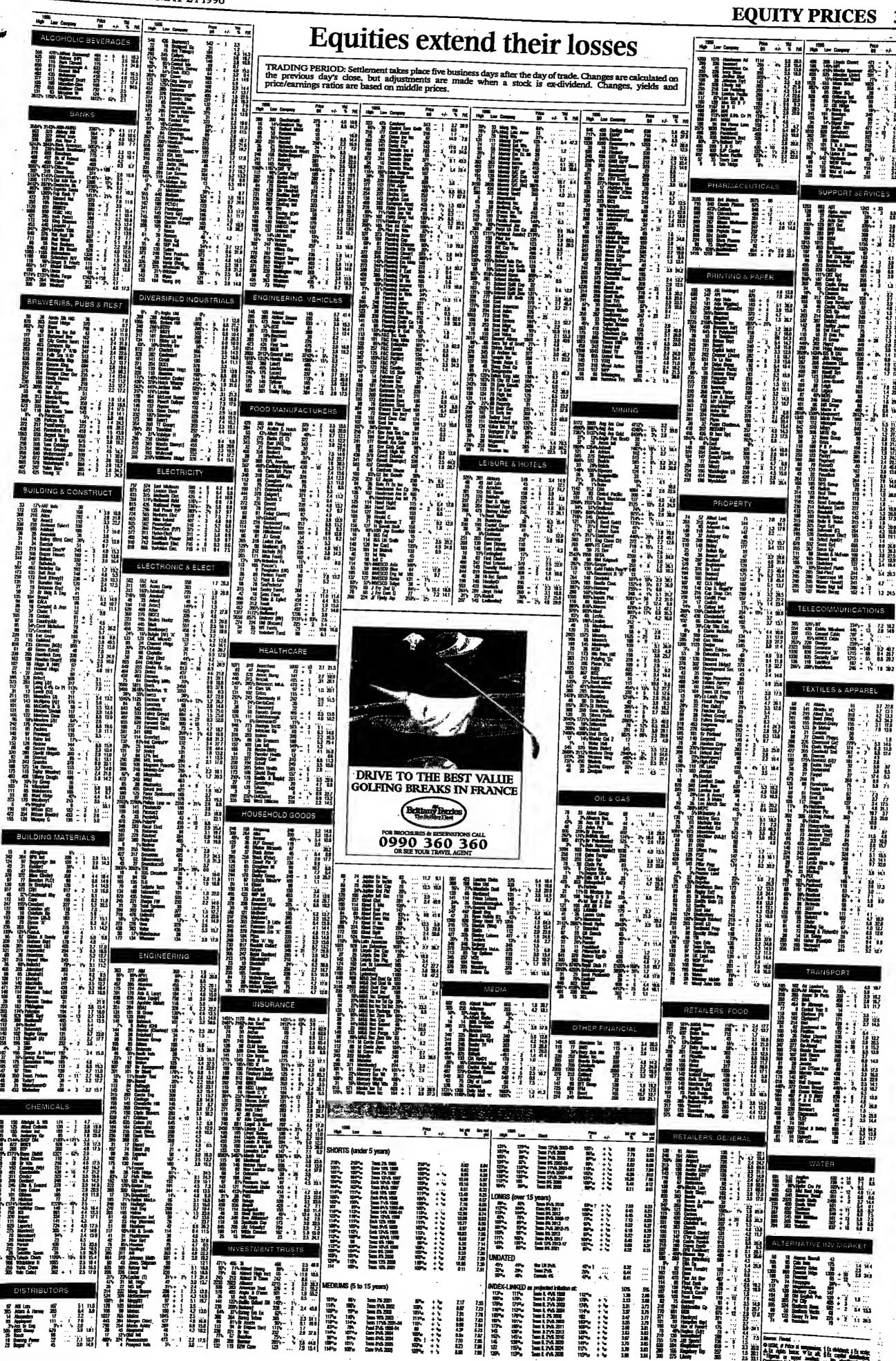


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Names' recoveries not part of Lloyd's trust

and Another Before Sir Richard Scott, Vice-

Chancellor

[Judgment May 17] Litigation recoveries of names at Lloyd's did not form part of the trust which consisted of moneys belonging to or becoming payable to a name in connection with underwriting business.

A proposed amendment to the trust so as to catch the litigation recoveries to the extent of the name's indebtedness to Lloyd's was not a valid exercise of the inconsistnt with the commercial purpose of the trust deeds.

Sir Richard Scott, Vice-Chancellor, so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division on an originating sum issued by the Society of Lloyd's against David Laurence Woodard and Antony Frederick John Wil-

Lloyd's sought the determination of whether the clause 2(d) provisions referred to in para-graph I of the schedule to each relevant deed as varied on March 2, 1995 by the Council of Lloyd's in exercise or purported exercise of the power of variation or amendment conferred on it by clause 22 of each relevant deed, were having regard to the true construction of that power and in the events which

had happened, valid. Mr Jules Sher. QC, Mr John Child and Miss Joanne Wicks for Lloyd's: Mr Sydney Kentridge, QC, Mr Nicholas Warren, QC and Mr Paul Newman for the names: the second defendant.

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR said that some names at Lloyd's who had suffered substantial underwriting losses had succeeded in recovering damages from members' agents, managing agents and syndicate auditors. Some of these

Secretary of State for Em-

Before Lord Justice Neill. Lord

Justice Morritt and Mr Justice

The exclusion of women absent from work because of pregnancy

from the categories of employe

specified in paragraph 2(1)(b) of Schedule 3 to the Employment

Protection (Consolidation) Act

1978, who were entitled to payment

in lieu of notice, did not breach

article 119 of the EC Treaty and,

therefore, did not constitute

discrimination on the ground of

allowing an appeal by the Sec-retary of State for Employment from the decision of the Employ-ment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice

Mummery, Miss J. W. Collerson

and Lord Gladwyn of Cleel (The

The EAT had allowed an appeal by

the applicant. Mrs Angela Clark.

Birmingham industrial tribunal of

her application for a payment in lieu of notice.

The applicant, who was entitled to 12 weeks notice, was on mater-

nity leave when her employer went

into liquidation. She brought a

claim against the secretary of state

under section 122 of the 1978 Act for

the payment of the difference

between the amount of the mater-

nity pay which she had received

and a normal week's pay which, she claimed, she was entitled to for

the period of her notice. When that

The Court of Appeal so stated

ployment v Clark

(Judgment May 15)

names had duly discharged their indebtedness to Lloyd's incurred in respect of their underwriting

Many, however, had not and Lloyd's had had to draw on its own funds to meet the insurance liabilities of those who either could not or would not provide the funds to meet their liabilities. It was not unnaturally anxious to ensure that the litigation recoveries were applied in or towards the discharge of any outstanding indebtedness of the lingants to Lloyd's.

One of the features of the arrangements under which names carried on their underwriting business was that each name was required to exercise a trust deed, known as a premiums trust deed. Lloyd's and the name's members' agent were the other parties to the

Clause 2(a)(i) provided that "the trust fund shall consist of ... all premiums and other moneys whatsoever ... now belonging or payable or hereafter at any time belonging or becoming payable to the name in connection with the

Clause 22 gave power to the Council of Lloyd's to "revoke and determine the trusts hereby con-stituted or (subject always to the prior approval of the secretary of statel vary or amend all or any of them or any of the provisions hereof in which manner as the council think fit. . .

Lloyd's primary contention was that the litigation recoveries were caught by clause 2(a)(i) in that they were "moneys ... belonging to or becoming payable to the name in connection with the underwriting".

However, that argument had been rejected by Mr Justice Saville ier v Kershaw (unreported. May 14, 1992) whose judgment was approved by the Court of Appeal in Lloyd's v Morris ([1993] 2 Re LR 217), a case that decided that the

was refused she made a complaint

Section 122 specified debts of an

employer for which the secretary of

state was liable on the insolvency

of an employer and included an amount which the employer was

liable to pay the employee for a

Paragraph 2 of Schedule 3

provides: "(1) If . . . (a) the employee is ready and willing to work but no work is provided for him by his

employer: or (b) the employee is incapable of work because of

sickness or injury ... the employer shall be liable ... to pay the

employee a payment in lieu of

Article (19 defined "pay" as the

ordinary basic or minuimum

wage or salary and any other consideration...which the worker

receives, directly or indirectly, in respect of his employment from his

Miss Eleanor Sharoston for the

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said

that it was accepted on behalf of

the secretary of state that the applicant was entitled to invoke

article 119 directly in respect of her

claim in the industrial tribunal. It

was also accepted that for the purposes of the present appeal the payments in lieu of notice when

paid by an employer to an em-ployee constituted "pay" within the meaning of article 119.

The secretary of state did not accept, however, that payments in

lieu of notice made by him pursu-

secretary of states Mr John

to the industrial tribunal.

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effected by names were not caught by clause 2(a)(i).

Lloyd's contended that Napier v Kershaw was wrong, that the Court of Appeal's approval in Lloyd's v Morris was merely obiter and not binding. Alternatively, it was a decision on a point of construction of a document and therefore not binding but only persuasive on an issue of construc tion of another similar document.

His Lordship disagreed. The relevant passage to the Court of Appeal's judgment in Lloyd's v
Morris constituted the ratio decidendi of the case and was

binding on him. As to construction, the point about the Lloyd's premium trust deeds was that they were all in the same common form. They were not merely similar. The factual matrix in the context of which each trust deed had to be construed would be exactly the same as the factual matrix applicable to every

A decision on the true construcnon of words in one trust deed was not, in his Lordship's opinion, capable of being distinguished from a case in which the same words in another trust deed were being construed and a decision on decision on a point of law, not a

decision on facts. It followed that a decision of the Court of Appeal on the true meaning of clause 2(a)(i) of a premiums trust deed was binding which an issue of construction of premiums trust deeds in the same

form arose.

The Master of the Rolls' judgment in Lloyd's v Morris expres accepted the reasoning of Mr Justice Saville in Lloyd's v Kershaw. It followed that his Lordship was bound to accept and follow Mr Justice Saville's conclusion that litigation recoveries were not caught by clause 2(a)(i) of the premium trust deeds.

Pregnancy exclusion is not sex discrimination

ant to the specific provisions in

section 122 were "pay" within the meaning of article 119. It was

submitted that when such sums

were paid by the secretary of state

sufficient link between the employ-ment relationship and the pay-

The applicant, on the other

hand, supported the decision of the

EAT on the effect of article 119 but

also argued that she could based

her claim on paragraph 2(1)(b) of Schedule 3 to the 1978 Act.

The three principal issues were:

(i) Whether the applicant could rely

on paragraph 2(1)(b); (ii) whether

any payments by the secretary of state under section 122 would

constitute "pay" within the mean-ing of article 119; and (61) whether,

if the first issue were decided against the applicant, but the second in her favour, the pro-

risions in paragraph 2(1)(b) con-

The argument of the applicant

on the first issue was that the

In any event, and apart from the these methods would require, if the obligation to follow binding au-thority, his Lordship agreed with Mr Justice Saville's conclusions.

In addition Lloyd's had purported to exercise their power of amendment under clause 22 adding a new subclause (d) to clause 2 whereby the litigation recoveries became to the extent of the name's indebtedness to Lloyd's, if any. part of the trust fund.

The names protested that the nower of amendment conferred on Lloyd's by clause 22 was never intended to be used for the purpose of adding to the trust fund assets outside those which the conduct of the names' underwriting business had generated.

There were no words limiting the scope of the power to "vary or amend all or any of ... the provisions of the trust deed. But it was accepted that any amendment made under the clause 22 power had to be consistent with the commercial purpose of the trust

The prime commercial purpose of each premium trust deed was to ensure that the business receipts of the syndicate underwriting business that the managing agent was conducting, for example, the premiums received from policy holders, the proceeds of syndicate reinsurance policies, the proceeds of salvage claims or other subrogation claims resulting from payments to policy holders, were under the control of the name's members' agent and managing agent and were available to meet ses and expenses of the

name's underwriting business.

If, and whenever it was thought that the trust fund held under any trust deed was inadequate, there were ample contractual or statutory powers vested in one or more of Lloyd's, the members' agent and the managing agent to require the ement the assets in the trust fund or the Lloyd's central

fund or otherwise. But each of

issue it was not necessary to come

to a final conclusion on the second

issue. Nevertheless, it was his

Lordship's view that assuming

that damages for wrongful dis-

missal payable under section 51 of

the 1978 Act were "pay" within the meaning of article 119, the pay-

ment of a debt by the secretary of

state under section 122 was also to

be regarded as "pay" within article

As to the third issue, in his

Lordship's judgment, it was now clear that Community have entitled member states to maker special

provisions for women who were

absent from work because of

pregnancy or confinement.

name were unable or unwilling to pay, lingation and court orders. All of the assets falling automati

cally within the trust fund were assets generated from time to time in the conduct of the underwriting business. The amendments, how ever, purported to add a specific existing asset, limited to the amount of a name's existing ourrent Lloyd's indebtedness, to the trust fund.

Those amendments would, if valid, enable and cause the trust deed to serve an additional and different purpose to its prime commercial purpose. The addi-tional purpose would be that of abling Lloyd's to obtain, without the consent of the name and unilaterally, security for an existing indebtedness over the assets nging to the names and specified in the amendment.

His Lordship had no criticism whatsoever of Lloyd's belief that litigation recoveries, ought, in fairness to other names who had duly discharged their Lloyd's debts or who had contributed to the central fund from which defaulting names' liabilides had been mer, so be applied by the names entitled thereto in discharge of any existing indebtedness to Lloyd's that those names might

Lloyd's had ample contractual powers to call upon the names in question to make their litigation recoveries available for that purpose. But what Lloyd's had de was to attempt a short cut which avoided the need for cooperation y the names or the risk of the need of lineation and court orders. As sometimes happened to those who took short cuts. Lloyd's had

receipt of payments under the code

their position could not be com-

pared with that of a man or with

Accordingly, in his Lordship's

absent from work because of

pregnancy from the categories specified in paragraph 2 of Sched-

specified in paragrapo 2 vi scues-ule 3 did not amount to discrimina-

was not entitled to recover during

the period of her maternity leave

the difference between her basic

wages and her maternity pay. His

Lord Justice Morritt and Mr

that of a woman to work.

tion on the ground of sex.

secretary of state.

Justice Tucker agreed.

lost their way and failed to reach their objective. Their chosen route had involved what was a misuse of the clause 22 amending power. Solicitors: Simmons Simmons, Richards Butler, S. J. Berwin & Co.

Neish for Charter. LORD MUSTILL said that the syndicates did not dispute that all the requirements of a valid claim esent, save that Charter had not and could not pay the claims which the syndicates had reinsured. Thus the syndicates argued that Charter had no cause of action under the

The case for the syndicases was created a condition precedent that Charter should have paid under

Reinsurers liable when sum payable ascertained expression had a natural and ordinary meaning, effect should be

Charter Reinsurance Co Ltd v Fagan and Others

Before Lord Goff of Chieveley. Lord Griffiths, Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Musill and Lord Hoffmann

(Speeches May 22)

For members of Lloyd's syndicates to be liable under a reinsurance contract which provided in the ultimate net loss clause for payment for "the sum actually paid", it was sufficient that the claim against which the reinsurance was to indemnify them had been established to be immediately payable and it was not necessary to have been actually paid.

The House of Lords so held in dismissing an appeal brought by Mr Patrick Feltrim Fagan and all other members of Lloyd's Syndicates 540 and 542 for the 1989 and 1990 underwriting years of account, against the dismissal by the Court of Appeal (The Times November 6, 1995) by a majority (Lord Justice Staughton dissenting) of the syndicates' appeal from the decision of Mr Justice Mance on July 5, 1995 that they were liable under reinsurance contracts with the reinsured. Charter Reinsur-ance Co Ltd, despite the fact that Charter was in provisional liquidation and unable to pay its debts.

The reinsurance contracts nor vided, inter alia: "2(a) The reinsur-ers shall only be liable if and when the ultimate net loss sustained by the reinsured ... exceeds ... (c) The term 'net loss' shall mean the sum actually paid by the reinsured in settlement of losses or

Mr Jonathan Sumption. QC. Mr Robert Hildyard, QC and Mr Stephen Ruttle for the syndicates; Mr Sydney Kentridge, QC, Mr John Rowland and Mr Andrew

The practical importance of the defence, if sound, was obvious and its implications had been multiplied by the levels of financial frailty experienced in the London insurance market in recent years, Across the market as a whole very large sums depended upon it, and the lirigation from which the appeal stemmed had been brought

Lordship would therefore decide the third issue in favour of the

Having decided that under the

cured by a fair trial on appeal to

the crown court, the question of

discretion to quash the conviction

given to it. By no stretch of language could it be extended to cover a situation in which Charter had not made any disbursement. actual or even notional, and would

never do so. Initially, his Lordship had thought that the meaning of the words was quite clear and that the complexities and mysteries of the specialist insurance market had idden the obvious solution and had led the courts below to abjure the simple and right answer and to force on the words a meaning which they could not possibly bear.

However, this was an occasion when a first impression and a simple answer no longer seemed the best, since his Lordship realised that the focus of the argument was too narrow. The words had to be set in the landscape of the instrument as a whole. Once that was done, the shape of the policy and the purpose of the terms became quite clear.

Four essential features of the ce were described: the perils insured against; the measure of indemnity: the duration of the cover; and the premium. What martered was the group of pro-visions which established the measure of indemnity, once a loss by an insured peril had taken place. His Lordship would break those down as follows:

(i) Clause 2(a) fixed the level at £3,000,000 at which the financial prejudice suffered by Charter under the policies in consequence of a loss by a peril insured under the policy caused a liability to

(ii) Clause 2(b) incorporated into the scheme of the policy four sets of lavered specific insurances identified in the schedule. When an eveni occurred which was a peril insured under one of those sets of insurances and also under the policy the limits of all the insurances comprising that account had to be exceeded before any indemnity began to fall under the policy.

(fii) Clause 2(c) gave meaning to clause 2(a) by defining ultimale net loss and made clear that the syndicates were not to pay losses gross, but that there was to be a neming down for recoveries, salvage, etc when ascertaining hether, and if so by how much, the relevant liabilities of Charter crossed the boundary into the layer vered by the policy.

(iv) Clause 2(d) elaborated clause 2(c) by making it clear that the fixing of an ultimate net loss in respect of any set of linked losses was provisional, in the sense that the amount of it, and hence its impact on that layer of insurance was to be open to re-computation if

(v) The proviso in the second part of clause 2(d) emphasised that even though the computation of an ultimate net loss was provisional. if it yielded a figure broaching the bottom of the layer insured under the policy it would then be recoverable even if a subsequent recalculation might lead to an upward or downward adjustment

(vi) Clause 2(e) ensured that the calculation of the ultimate net loss under clause 2(a) did not involve a deduction of the liabilities on the underlying layers, so as to diminish the possibility of a recovery on the layer covered by the policy.

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Analysed in that way, the policy showed that it required the sarisfaction of only two conditions before an indemnity fell due.

First, that an insured event occurred within the period of the policy and second that the event produced a loss to Charter of a degree sufficient, when ultimately worked out, to bring the particular

layer of reinsurance into play. That reading accommodated without strain the words "if and when" in clause 2(a): for they were concerned only with the point, not of time but with arithmetic, at which the figures for the ultimate net loss reached the appropriate

Equally, his Lordship was satisfied that the purpose of "the sum actually paid" in clause 2(c) was not to impose an additional condition precedent in relation to the disbursement of funds, but to emphasise that it was the ultimate outcome of the net loss calculation which determined the final liability of the syndicates under the

in this context, "actually" meant "in the event when finally as-certained" and "paid" meant "ex-posed to liability as a result of the nsured under lanother! clause".

Those were far from the or-dinary meanings of the words, and they might be far reaching from the meanings which they would have had in other policies, and particularly in first-tier policies of

But their Lordships were called upon to interpret them in a very specialised form of reinsurance, and his Lordship was now sat-isfied that, as Mr Justice Manoe had said at first instance, the words in question did not have the purpose of introducing a temporal precondition to recovery in the form of disbursement or other satisfaction of the precise net commitment between Charter and its reinsured, but were there "for

the purpose of measurement". Lord Goff. Lord Griffiths and Lord Browne-Wilkinson agreed and Lord Hoffmann delivered a concurring speech. Solicitors: Ince & Co: Davies

Before Lord Justice Henry and Mr

words "incapable of work because of sickness" in paragraph 2(1)(b) should be construed so as to Justice Turner include incapacity because of [Judgment May 3] His Lordship was unable to

accept that argument because (i) pregnancy could not sensibly be described as an illness; (ii) the contrast between illness and preg-nancy was recognised elsewhere in the 1978 Act, and (iii) the decision in (Case C 32/93) Webb v EMO Air Cargo (UK) Ltd (1994) ICR 770). In view of the decision which his Lordship had reached on the third

The provisions that were made then became a separate code. The code provided pregnant women with special protection but when in

Curing magistrates' court unfairness on appeal

If that were right, then it would follow that if the rehearing occurred before the judicial review. and the crown court fairly con-victed, that conviction would be invalid if the original conviction were subsequently set aside for procedural unfairness. She ad-

vanced no reason why a fair hearing in the crown court should in the circumstances he other than The court was satisfied that the First, in the field of criminal law,

case was unlike an appeal against the jury's verdict. When a jury's verdict was challenged, there was

Builders [1971] Ch 34, 49) might be appropriate but always subject to the qualification made by Lord Wilberforce in Calvin v Carr

points on his appeal.

stood or fell, likewise if the

appellant was acquitted. She submitted that was not the

ships did, that the procedural irregularity would not recur in the section 108 rehearing, why should not the applicant be refused leave on the basis that the section IOR appeal could be made available to him, whether or not any judicial

before the magistrates answered itself. Judicial review should be More difficult cases might arise where the defendant had not appealed under section 108, but had gone straight for the judicial review remedy for procedural

review succeeded?

That would allow exceptional cases still to be brought by way of judicial review when the court considered that such a course would best meet the real justice of determinative of the whole case.

But usually interposing a ju-ning, as their Lord-dicial review hearing would lead to an unnecessary hearing, unnecessary costs and unnecessary delay. That was a point for the leave stage, on which the potential respondent should be heard. Solicitors: Greenwoods, Peterborough; Crown Prusecution Service, Cambridge.

Correction In Akinbolu v Hackney LBC (The Times May 13) Mr Simon Read appeared as junior to Mr James Goudie, QC, for Mr Akinbolo.

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Under the appeal procedures of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, a procedurally unfair conviction before the magistrates might be cured by a fair trial on appeal to the crown court. The Queen's Bench Divisional

Court so stated in a reserved judgment when dismissing an application for judicial review by Smart Dowler to quash his conviction before Peterborough Justices on October 11, 1994 for driving without due care and attention.

Miss Isabel Dakyns for Mr Dowler, Mr John W. Gibson for LORD JUSTICE TURNER giv-

ing the judgment of the court, said that the application raised one issue of general importance where the conviction before the mag-istrates was flawed by procedural unfairness (failure to disclose to the defendant a potentially heighful witness statement), which had since been rectified (by delivery of the statement), and the defendant had in train an appeal by way of complete rehearing to the crown court judge sitting with magistrates under section IC8 of the 1980 Act, should the Divisional Court, in the exercise of its dis-cretion: (i) quash the conviction and remit the case to the magistrates for retrial; or (ii) refuse to grant relief on the basis that the statutory appeal under section 108 provided a satisfactory remedy?

Convictions in the magistrates court could be challenged in three

ways: 1 The right of appeal under section 2 An appeal by way of case stated on the grounds that the conviction was wrong in law or in excess of

jurisdiction under section III. That appeal was an alternative to the section IOS appeal. 3 Challenge by way of judicial review. That challenge was not an appeal as such, but a collateral challenge to the decision-making process. It could cover the same ground as appeals by way of case stated. An allegation of procedural unfairness ordinarily fell more naturally into the territory of

judicial review particularly where there was no factual dispute. One difference between the appeals procedure and judicial review was that an appeal had to be started within 21 days of conviction, whereas leave to apply for judicial review should be made promptly, at least within three months of the grounds arising.

decisions, the clear intention of Parliament would be defeated. Miss Dakyns conceded that in each case it must be a matter of the court's discretion whether to grant judicial review and that it should not be granted where there existed an equally effective and convenient

If the more leisurely timetable of

judicial review were permitted to

delay challenges to magistrates'

Regina v Peterborough Justices, Ex parte Dowler case here. Under the appellate scheme to be found in the 1980 Act.

Barnes, Ex parte Lord Vernon irregularity.

But assume the accused was entitled to a fair appeal procedures of the 1980 Act a trial before the magistrates and, if procedurally unfair conviction beconvicted a fair rehearing before fore the magistrates might be

the crown court judge sitting with

submission could not be correct. their Lordships knew of no principle, let alone authority, to suggest that a person was entitled to more than one fair trial. The present

no automatic right to a retrial. The right to a retrial after conviction by magistrates seemed to their Lordships to be given to reflect the fact that a lay bench might get it wrong, rather than to ensure that the defendant was twice tried and twice fairly convicted before the conviction could be upheid. There was no reason in

law or in sense for the defendant to be given an extra "life". In appeals within domestic or other specialist tribunals, other considerations might apply and Mr Justice Meggary's dictum in Leary v National Union of Vehicle

([1980] AC 574, 593). Second, R v Barnes, Ex parte Lord Vernon ([1910] LT 860) was authority to the contrary. Lord Alveston there made it clear that even if the original conviction before the magistrates were quashed for unfairness, the conviction on appeal by way of rehearing to quarter sessions would stand unaffected. And that was the assumption that the court made when refusing judicial review R v Mid-Worcestershire Justices, Ex

parte Hart [1989] COD 397). Third, the provisions of section III(4) of the 1980 Act obliged a person who both wished to obtain certiorari on appeal by way of case stated and to challenge the conviction on its merits to raise both

But if, as would almost invariably be the case, the error in law or procedural unfairness was cured in the appeal, then the result of the appeal would render the issue as to the impact of the error of law or procedural unfairness in the first trial academic. If the appellant was convicted again, it then mattered not whether the original conviction

In so finding, their Lordships differed from the decision in R v Bradford Justices, Ex parte Wilkinson (1991) I WLR 692), which they were entitled to do as that decision was in conflict with R v



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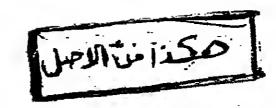
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OPERA: Andy Lavender talks to director David Leveaux about Salome, sex and keeping a low profile

Invisible man lifts the veil

omebody once said to me, How many times are you going to be rediscovered?"

David Leveaux recalls. Leveaux is 38 years old and (if you have not yet discovered him) is a theatre and opera director. He first came to notice at the age of 24 with an award-winning production of Eugene O'Neill's A Moon for the Misbegotten in London. He was invited to direct the play for the American Repertory Theatre; the new production transferred to Broadway and further awards followed. Since then he has dipped in and out of the National Theatre and the Royal Shakespeare Company, London's

West End and prestigious theatres in countries as far apart as America, **6** Some kinds Turkey and Japan. of decadence He is Britain's don't seem

Pimpernel director, one minute lost to view, the next popping up somewhere in the world with a resonant rather fine producany more 9 tion. Was be most recently rediscovered a couple of years ago, when he directed Harold

Pinter's No Man's Land at the Almeida, in a production starring the playwright himself and Paul Eddington? That show, with the most subtle nuances of pace and tone, transferred to the Cornedy Theatre. Or was it when he received a Tony Award nomination for best direction for his New York production of O'Neill's Anna Christie, starring Liam Neeson and Natasha Richardson? Or when Pinter entrusted him with his most recent play, Moonlight, which made the familiar journey from Islington to the West End?

In any event, Leveaux seems to have combined a glittering career with a low profile. He might have to brace himself for being rediscovered all over again, however, for he is currently putting the finishing touches to his first production for English National Opera — Richard Strauss's version of Oscar Wilde's Salome.

The invitation to direct the opera came, he says, after his production of The Turn of the Screw for Scottish Opera. "It was a very odd, pathologi-cal production," he recalls. "I think that was probably what ENO had in mind. They knew that if I was to direct Salome it wouldn't involve some kind of biblical epic." Leveaux insists that he is not a

"concept" director, fixing the production even before he has met the performers in the rehearsal room. "If I do have a style," he says after some thought, "it's to do with trying to locate the unconscious pulses that cause a scene to move in a certain way, and bring those to the surface.

What better approach could there be for Salome, given the text's cocktail of eroticism and violence? The story is familiar: John the Baptist has been imprisoned in the palace of Herod. When the Tetrarch begs his stepdaughter, Salome, to dance for

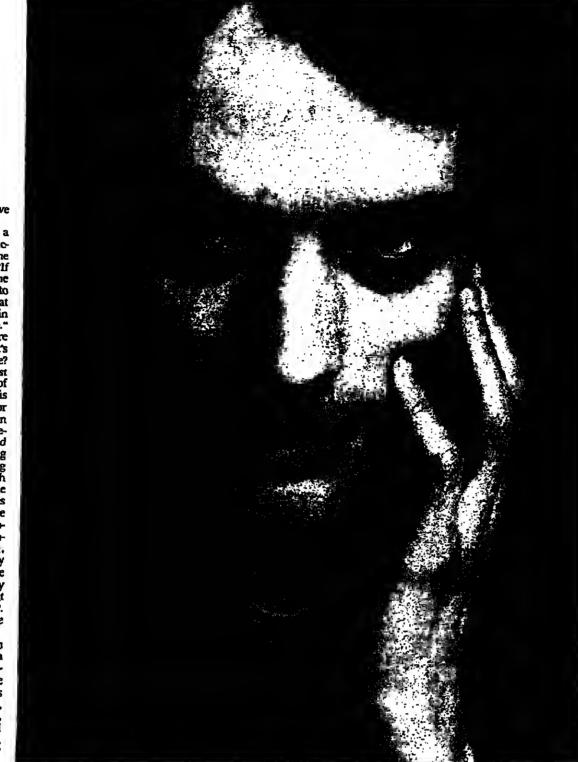
him, she agrees, on condition that he deliver to her the head of the fascinating but disquieting prophet. So much for the plot. The unconscious pulses racing beneath it are to do with paedophiliac desire, sexuawakening. beauty, blasphemy and apocalypse. One critic rather sniffily

described the play as "decadent purple, a symbolist extravaganza". But what purple. Wilde might have

"In the Wildcan sense you can understand the play as being a philosophical and erotic investigation of the pursuit of beauty and the pursuit of love," says Leveaux. "It's homosexual literature. But Strauss, this pillar of bourgeois propriety, why did he approach this story? I guess that, like Wilde, he was asking. What is the nature of innocence

What is the nature of sin? Strauss has transferred it to opera with staggering fidelity, and then taken it further. You don't feel that this is a play that has somehow been diminished by the addition of music.

Wilde's play was produced in Paris in 1896, although it was banned in this country and only received its first public performance here in 1929. Strauss's opera was written in 1905. The piece does have a turn-of-thecentury flavour. It is also, Leveaux suggests, appropriate to our own fin de siècle - not in any forced sense of "relevance", but in its psychological undercurrents. "It's a kind of neurotic piece," he says. "We're living in



The Pimpernel of British theatre, David Leveauce "I don't have some cultish desire to be utterly secret"

about a young woman whom we desire and yet who does something absolutely unforgivable is very

The designer, Leveaux's longstanding collaborator Vicki Mortimer, has ovided "a black wall standing in black space. The set indicates

Leveaux's stripped-down approach. Some kinds of sensual decadence don't seem to me to be particularly resonant any more," he says. "One

neurotic times, where the desire for happens in the opera — so we've and Western theatre experiences redemption is so potent that a storyas it were. We don't have a Dance of the Seven Veils."

Leveaux declines to describe what

Kristine Ciesinski, who plays Salome, will present instead, being content to observe that, "once you get to some kind of human nakedness, that's when revelation begins now". Phrases like this indicate Leveaux's confidence. For the past three years he has been artistic director of Theatre Project Tokyo, a company he formed in order to mingle Eastern case when a West End director jets off to Japan. This means spending up to five months a year directing three productions in Tokyo.

Now that TPT has established itself, he is contemplating a return of sorts to Europe. "I don't have some cultish desire to be utterly secret," he says. Not that Leveaux needs rediscovering all over again. Just noticing a little more frequently.

• Salome opens tomorrow at the Coli-seum (0171-632 3300)

Painting by French numbers

TUESDAY night's offering from the Philharmonia in the "Après l'Après-midi" series featured three masterpieces but juxtaposed them with two other intriguing scores that filled out the picture of 20thcentury French composition. The early evening concert was devoted to the world premiere of Sigrancia Ballade by Betsy Jolas was born in France,

and, as pupil and subsequently colleague of Messiaen, is a significant figure in the musi-cal establishment. The work was introduced in a platform discussion between Jolas and John Amis, but not a lot was given away. Nor was Jolas willing to give much help with the text, which was impenetrable as only the French know how. The verb "marcher" loomed large and a walking motif stalked the work. David Wilson-Johnson delivered the text with characteristic brio. but the task of communication was an uphill one.

Rather more engaging was Henri Dutilleux's Timbres, espace, mouvement, which deploys an unusual orchestral layout to superb effect. Violins and violas are absent, which paradoxically draws attention to treble-range parts (provided by wind and brass), separated as they are from the well-delineated bass lines (12 cellos,

Philharmonia/ Tortelier Festival Hall

who have an interlude to themselves). That spacial sense is the "espace" of the title, while the "mouvement" refers to the wind and brass textures that conjure the whirling, turbulent night sky of Van Gogh's La nuit étoilée (The Starry Night), the work's

If this was far more than tone painting, so too was Yan Pascal Tortelier's reading of Debussy's La mer. He lost no time in whipping up the stormy winds of the last movement, yet the vividness of the drama seemed to betoken an agitated psychological state rather than mere pictorialism. Similarly dramatic - al-

most operatic - was Tortelier's exhilarating account of the second suite from Ravel's Daphnis et Chloe, with full-blooded contributions from the Philharmonia Chorus, Ravel's Piano Concerto in D for the left hand was also given an extrovert performance, with Jean-Philippe a demonstrative

BARRY MILLINGTON

An inspired hand

THE fluent clarity that Esa-Pekka Salonen brings to the most complex of works makes his reputation as an excellent conductor of difficult music easy to understand. But it was reassuring to hear the same qualities in his performances of standard repertory at the Barbican on Tuesday: he gave freshly-inspiring accounts of works by Prokotiev, Beethoven and Strauss.

Salonen was visiting with "his" Stockholm Chamber Orchestra — he is artistic director and their rapport paid dividends. Prokoliev's Classical Symphony revealed the orchestra's sound, which is based on warm, resonant strings and characterful winds. The group functions like Scandinavian furniture with efficiency and style. But the players did not lack humour in the Gavotte, or the

infectious high spirits called for in the whirling Finale. A modest-sized orchestra

Stockholm CO/ Salonen Barbican

like this is ideally suited to Beethoven's early Piano Concerto No 2, and in the finale its players were easily able to match the rhythms of Yelim Brontman at the keyboard. He proved an invigorating soloist, by turns poetic and powerful.

In Strauss's Metamorphosen for 23 solo strings, no star stood out, which helped to preserve the sense of this being a multilayered chamber work. Salonen shaped Strauss's 1945 dirge for a lost Munich with spiritual intensity. Grief and anger turned to resignation as the spring at the work's forced naturalness.

JOHN ALLISON

THEATRE: Shakespeare's daughter defends her name in Peter Whelan's latest; plus, insight into the Russian soul

just wants to look at what actually

n 1613 Susanna Shakespeare, daughter of the more famous Will and married to a Stratford physician, sued a young gentleman for slander. He had publicly accused her of having "the runinge of the reynes", ie, gonorrhoea, and that she had been naught", ie, lascivious, with a haberdasher of the

town, one Rafe Smith. This is known because the case went to the Consistory Court at Worcester Cathedral, where the archives survive.

Not a great deal more is known about the case or the people involved, though Susanna's husband, Dr John Hall, kept a detailed casebook of his treatments, many of whose ingredients he grew in his own herb garden.

Peter Whelan sets his latest play on a paved countyard midway between this garden and the room where the doctor mixes the medicines. The rear wall of the stage (design: Robert Jones) is a towering fence of wattle and daub, across which an episcopal curtain is drawn for the scene

The absorbing play that Whelan has created, by allowing facts and imagination to combine, satisfies the human curiosity to know what might lie behind the bare statements of a legal document. How did the accusation come about? Was there any truth in it?

In looking for a persuasive answer Whelan creates a group of individuals whose interlocking lives have the blood of reality pulsing through them. Even more successfully than in his play about Marlowe, The School of Night, Whelan brings a bygone age to life.

Michael Attenborough is a director who can inspire his cast to create details of appearance, movement and interaction that make them seem current with their characters.

Suit of her honour

The Herbal Bed The Other Place, Stratford

The trickiest task falls to Teresa Banham (Susanna), who must present respect for frustrated love for Rafe, while at the same time show that she

Degas commenced this picture by reworking an earlier canvas, obliter-

ating the dancer who once filled the centre of the com-

position. The figures have

been pushed to the sides,

leaving the floor surprising

ly empty. Light spreads across it from a distant

window, but the rehearsal

room remains dim. The four

ballerinas practising at the

upper edge are blurred, their

limbs brushed in loosely by a

painter no longer concerned

more Degas simplified his

technique. He aimed at con-

veying the essence of a scene,

and the four figures are

defined with the utmost

economy. The sprightliness

of their unturned legs is

contrasted with the languor

of the two dancers in the

with meticulous detail.

The older he grew.

is essentially good. Banham gives reality to Whelan's portait of a complex, immorally moral being.

Susanna endures anxiety; others suffer pain: Liam Cun-ningham's Dr Hall, wrench-ing his attention from the sickness outside his house to that within; Joseph Fiennes's Rafe, choking in the turbulence of desire and religious belief. Further from the centre are David Tennant, the confused rakehell, and Jay McInnes's equivocating servant, Hester. Stephen Boxer's Puritan inquisitor thrillingly racks the tension in the courtroom scene. Will Shakespeare is just about to make his entrance. dying, when the play ends.

JEREMY KINGSTON

foreground. Weary after re-

hearsing, they rest and at-

tend to their own bodies.

Degas catches them off-

guard, absorbed in their own

activities. He makes no at-

tempt to romanticise their

hard-working lives. But their

AND DESAS BEYOND UPRESSIONS IN THE EN

Richard Cork selects highlights from the National Gallery exhibition

A loose grasp on reality

ince the Wall came down and the Iron Cur-tain was raised, Lev Dodin's dazzling Maly Drama Theatre Company has been welcomed with open arms worldwide. In 1994 the troupe brought five celebrated productions to Britain, among them Stars in the Morning Sky and The Cherry Orchard. Now comes the chance, not to be missed, to catch Claustrophobia. Funny, surreal, bleak or hopeful, this is an extraordivision of the Russian soul, an expressionistic picture of Eastern Europeans in the

Everything happens in a

"A tender poetry": Before the ballet, c.1890-92. National Gallery of Art, Washington

surroundings are reduced to a hazy veil of colour, applied

with fingers as much as

The sensuousness of his

mark-making, combined

with the soft colours be

favours throughout the

Claustrophobia Nottingham Playhouse

white room. The whole thing may be inside your head yet we have also been transported, quite specifically, to Room No 319 in the old Theatre Academy in St Petersburg. The room has been com-

pletely whitewashed, but not recently. While institutionally stark, it retains, or has acquired, quiet grace: its high walls tapering away towards far doors, a few radiator pipes,

painting, give it a subdued,

Degas: Beyond Impressionism

is at the National Gallery until

Aug 26 (tickets from First Call,

tender poetry.

0171-120 0000)

young students of the Maly Drama Theatre School are taught to act, improvise, create Dodin's young actors and actresses take on a mass of characters. They might be

immates in a detention camp. the homeless seeking shelter in a church, institutionalised lunatics, army officers, or former drama students simply wandering into an old dance The company portrays people in flux, caught between

a practice bar where a ballet

class warms up.
Room 319 is where the

- or escaping into - the past and the future. These people come under different influences: capitalist, communist, Christian, neat spirits, high spirits. They confuse hard facts and fictions, enjoy new freedoms but also crave the old dictated securities.

At once vastly imaginative and masterfully controlled, Dodin's cast seemlessly merges dramatic dialogue with modern ballet or a burst of jazz. A disillusioned downand-out's speech slides into a monotonal aria; folk choiring changes into the chugging of a train packed with Soviet recruits or perhaps social rebels.

Apart from the significance of the odd scene being hard to decode, not helped by the split focus of surtitles, this piece is richly suggestive and powerfully absorbing. The ensemble playing is superb, the emo-

KATE BASSETT

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Outstanding



BLUES

Keb' Mo', one of the big new names on the music scene, brings his guitar to the London Blues Festival



JAZZ

A vital sliver of jazz history: a new album shines fresh light on the late pianist Art Hodes

As the London Blues Festival begins, Clive Davis meets rising star Keb' Mo'

LONDON WEEKEND CHOICE A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Gillian Maxey

DANCE MOVES. The Berlin-based choreographer Seehe Waltz and her Guests entire at The Place for the sodh Turning World festivat of dance from abroed. Waltz gives the final part of her Translogue mocy. All Ways Sk. Steps, accompanied by Tinstan Honsinger's jazz score Meanwhile, the New York choreographer Triebe Brown entires at the Gueen Etzabeth Hell for her only dates in Lordon. the Cueen Exeaporn Hell for her only dates in London. The Place, Duke's Road, WC1 (0171-3870031) Tomght and ternamow, 8pm; Queen Elizabeth Hell, South Bank, SE1 (§) (0171-960 4242). Tonght and temporow, 7 45pm.

SALOME Strauss's sensuous and decadent work receives a powerful new production at English National Opera, with Kristine Clesinski in the title role. with Kristine Classinski in the title role, Robert Hayward as the propher and object of her desire, and Sally Burgess and Alan Woodrow as her monstrous parents. The director is David Leveaux (see leature on page 35). Coffseeux, St Martin's Lane, WC.2 (0171-832 8300), Tomorrow, Sprin Then May 31, June 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 24, 27, July 3, 50

WIGMORE RECITALS: Returns only for tonight's song recital at 7 30pm by the celebrated mezzo-soprano Cecita Banda, accompanied by György Fischer on the piano. However, there is a similar to piano. chance tickets will still be available for Sunday's rectal (7pm) by the barrione

☐ SILIE RISMEMBERRO MILLS
Dennis Potter's pagnant drama or warme childhoot: this productor's cornedy overbalances the frail structure National (Lynolton), South Bank, SE1 (0171-928-252), Tongolf-Mon. 8om, mat Set, 3pm, in rop ②

mail Sat, 3pm. In rop (b)

CALANITY JANE, Gemma Craven plays the rootin footin' formboy with Stephen McGann as Wild Bill Hickok in Paul Kenyoon's production of the musical of the film of the legend Sadler's Wells. Rosebery Ave, EC1 (0171-713 6000) Mon-Sat 7 30pm. mats Wed, Sat 2:30pm. Until June 15 (5) COMEDY OF ERRORS. The New Shekospeare Company's season opers with Claire Lyth's production of the ward ceare you is production of the Bard's double-twin musup With Debra Beaumont and Paula Wilcox, Open Air Theather, Regent's Pank, Will (10174-468 2431) Proviews begin longht, 8pm, Opens May 28, 8pm. FREIWILD Moving Theatre opens a season of Schnitzler with the British season of Schridder with the British premiere of his 1896 play an army officer, deep in debt, harasses an actress he considers fair game, Reheated playreadings of other Schnidders on Sats May 25 to June 15, New End, 27 New End, Harripstead, NNI3 (0171-794 0022), Opens fonght, 7 30pm, Then Mon-Sat, 7-30pm, mai Sun 4 30pm, Linti June 16 (5)

NEW RELEASES ANGUS (12): Fat high school kid fights off his buttes. Tame teen movie that means well. With Charlie Talbert and Kathy Bates. Director, Patrick Read

MIND MILLIE FOR ME. Felicity Kendal plays the cocotte in Peter Half's production of Feydeau that goes for the

Ptaza (0800-888 997) Unite FEMINE FRANCAISE (18). High-class foch, with Emmanuelle Beart and-baniel Auteuit heading 30 years of French instay Director, Högis Wergner Curzon Mayhair (0171-369 1720)

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◆ PRIMAL FEAR (18): Cocky defence stroney Richard Gere gets sucked into a devices murder case. Superficial briller, directed by Gregory Hobit. Emptre (800-888 911) MGMac Belter Street (0171-935 9772) Fullnam Road Select (0171-370 2636) Yrocadero (5) (0171-434 0031) Notting Hill Coro (0171-727 6705) Odeon Swiss Cottage (01426 814098) UCI Whiteleys (6) (0171-792 3332) SECRETS & LIES (15): Mike Leigh's Cannes Irkimph: an uneven but obsorbing tale about family life, its pains, bonds, and skaletons. With

Dmitn Hvoroslovsky, who offers sox Tchellovsky songs, Mehler's Lieder eines tahrenden Gesetten and Gyorgy Swindov's St Petersburg song cycle. With Nebral Arkadiev at the piano Wigmere Hell, Wigmore Street, W1 (0171-935 2141)

ELSEWHERE BRIGHTON: The 30th International arts festival ands this weekend with Rough Magic louring theathe company's production of Stewart Parker's play Pentecest, ast during the Uister Worlears' Council strike of 1974, and directed by Purker's mace, Lynne (Theathe Royal — 01273 328 488; tonght, torrow 7.45pm). Later this evering (10.30pm), the Brighton Fastival Chours performe Reactimenties's Vessions at St. Battholomes's Church. Chorus performe Rachmanilacov's Vespers at 8 Earthclamew's Church. On Sunday (The Dome, 8pm), the festival closes with Yuri Ternirianov conducting the Repair Philharmonical Orchestra and Brighton Festival Chorus in Mahler's Resurrection symphony; with Susan Chilcot, Katanine Kambus Festival box office (7):273-709 709) to verticamition and box for the product.

THEATRE GUIDE

laughter, Theutre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (0171-930 8800) Mon-Sat 7.45pm, meta Wad and Sat 3pm (5)

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CURRENT

Jeremy Kingston's asses of theatre showing in Lo

House full, returns only Some seats available Seats at all prices

Sat 4.30om. (5)

Dinarries: Scottlet Ballet begins a linea-week, 21-venue toor of Scotlend with highlights from their repertors. That Certain Feeling — a tribete to the music of Gershein, and Mark Baldwin's withy and observant work Mare Pouland. Theetre Royal, Queensbury Street (U1387 247 067). Tortight, Sprn. Ned in Dismbarton, Denny Chok (01398 763 175), May 25; Dundermitine, Cerriegie Hell (U1383 720 108), May 28; Alloe, Town Hell (U1259 213*131), May 29. WATERSEN, Jean Bold Ard May 29.

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Guids in Kindertremport, Diene
Sembel's strong and moving secount
of a Jewish girl who escaped prevair
Germany and greer up in England
without a past, Directed by Abigell
Morns, who created the event-winning
Soho Theates Co production
Pelaces, Clarendon Rd (01923 225671).
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7.45pm. Opens May 28, 7.45pm.

LONDON GALLERIES

Varadéville, Strand, WC2 (0171-836 9987), Mort-Sat, Bain; mata Wed 2.30pm, Sat 4pm III SOME SURINY DAY: Martin
Sharman's strontaining new play, set is
Calco in 1942-whore the Brits are
reduced to stiff-lipped perito, wifemurder and office courses appropriate
to changing prins life. Splendid cast,
Hampaland, Sates Cottage Centre,
NW3 (9171-722 9301). Man-Sat, 8pm;
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☐ TOMMIY: Hopely impressive staging of the traumatised child's apotheces to pintiel weard-fourity of electronic tricks disguistring improbability. Shaftestony, Shaftestony, Augrue, WC2 (0171-379 5369), Mon-Sat, Spm. mets Wed and Sat, 3pm. (a) LONG RUNNERS

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In THE RELAPSE: Victor Spinotic plays the fretful Lord Foppington in lan Judge's production from last year's Stratford Amusing performances in a soft-focused view of the play.

Pit. Barbican, Sik Street, EC2 (0171-838.881) Torright and tomorrow.

7 15pm In rep (5) LONG HUNNICHS

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SALAD DAYS Welcome return of Julian Stade's tuneful musical, directed by Ned Sherm. Nicola Fulljames and Simon Connolly play the young lovers Ticket information supplied by Society of London Theatre,

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Odeons: Kennington (01426 914666) Mezzarism (5) (01426 915683) Werner + THINGS TO DO IN DENVER WHEN YOU'RE DEAD (18): Hip and humane crime drama from new director Gary Fieder. Andy Garcia heads a teshionable cast. MGMs: Chelsee (0171-352 5096) Haymartest (0171-839 1527) Odeons: Kansington (01428-914 888) Swies Cottage (0171-565 307) Ritzy (0171-737 2121) UCI Whiteleys (0171-792 3332) Warmer (0171-437 4343)

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Moore, he has leapfrogged to the front rank of contemporary hlues artists on the strength of just one album. With a follow-up due for release next month, he brings his charismatic hlend of original tunes and Robert Johnson cover versions to the London Blues

Festival this weekend. As a revivalist, Moore is following the path trodden by that other exotical-ly named guitarist, Tsi Mahal. Both men hring a refreshing aura of spontaneity to their material.

wearing homeboy to walk into a gold-plated recording contract. Or he could be the new world-music sensa-

tion from Mali. Or a blind, half-lame

folk singer discovered on a porch in

What was so startling about his first album, simply entitled Keb' Mo', was that it was largely made up of his own compositions, some acoustic, others ayed on electric guitar. To discover a 1990s singer-songwriter who can work in this vein without slipping into selfconscious pastiche or rock n'roll bom-

bast is a rare pleasure.

A jobbing musician who has had to wait a long time for the chance to prove himself, Moore is a latecomer - a semi-detached hluesman, if you will. "I don't consider myself a real blues musician," he says. The blues has its own distinct tradition. It's just the kind of music that shines through in any setting.

the 12-bar themes as simply one strand: of his musical DNA, he explains that Victims of Comfort, one of the tracks on his last album, was originally conceived as a Phil Collins-type production number with swirling synthesizers and stadium-size drums. Some. musicians would go to great lengths to cover up any interest, past or present, in someone like Collins. Moore, a soft-

Keepin' Out of Mischief Now Candid CACD 7971717 IN HIS delightfully indiscreet memoirs, Kingsley Amis had few good words to say about anyone except a few intimate friends. Sad to say, the pianist Art Hodes was one of the victims of his barbs.

ART HODES

"An 84-year-old pianist who was terrible 40 years ago." wrote Amis, reflecting on his decision not to go out to hear Hodes play with Wild Bill Davison. Would he have been quite so dyspeptic had he heard this late-period solo recital, especially its melancholy, introspective treatment of St Louis Blues?

at crossroads he name suggests all kinds of possibilities. Keb Mo could be the latest baseball-caplook back on it as just one more point

along the learning curve.

His parents provided a link, however tenuous, with the blues Southern roots: his mother was born in Texas. his father in northern Louisiana. Moore himself passed through a succession of studio and touring assignments, including a spell with electric violinist Papa John Creach, before being signed to a label in 1980. The record that resulted — which he has described as "like alternative R&B. a little folk, a little reggae" — made

little impact. It was not until six years ago that his career took a decisive turn, when a Los Angeles theatre company was looking for a musician to play Delta blues in a new production. Moore was offered the part and set about immersing himself in the recordings of Johnson and Big Bill Broonzy.

e stepped back into Johnson's enigmatic world when he portrayed him in a dramatised documentary made recently for American public television. The singer's turbulent life, and all the talk of his making a Faustian pact with the Devil one night at a lonely crossroads, have long been the stuff of rock mythology. Moore sees matters in a more matter-of-fact light.

"It wasn't a heavy-duty acting role -t just gave me a chance to walk in his shoes a little. But it belped me understand what going to the cross-roads is all about. I think it's symbolic of commitment. Johnson didn't sell his soul to the Devil, he went to the woodshed - he worked on his music. "In this business you reach a point

To underline the point that he sees ... where you have to decide: am I in it, or am I out? There was a time when I felt I had to decide whether I was going to stay with music, or whether I was going to do something else. But really I had no choice. Music is the only thing that motivates me." *Keb Mo is at the Waterman's Aris

Centre tonight and Blackheath Concert Halls tomorrow. His new album, Just Like



History after hours

When Amis was a gay young 78 collector, Hodes might well have seemed an occasionally over-earnest champion of early music and "primitive" blues forms. By the time of this recording. 1988, he had himself become a much-cherished, living and hreathing sliver of jazz history. a rare link with a lost era.

Alan Bates's Candid label has already issued Hodes's playful solo tribute to Jelly Roll Morton. Keepin' Out of Mischief Now comes from the

JAZZ ALBUMS same year, and once again

illustrates how, in old age, the inevitable narrowing in Hodes's vocabulary and range actually has the effect of creating greater emotional depths in the music. Struttin' With Some Barbe

cue is taken at an impressive gallop. But it is his mellow, at times skeletal, handling of the other vintage melodies - from the gradual acceleration of pace in See See Rider to the stately Just a Closer Walk with Thee — that make this unpretentious, after-hours offering so difficult to resist.

COUNT BASIE/SARAH VAUGHAN Count Basie and Sarah Vaughan Roulette CDP8-37241

ADVERTISING standards obviously were not so rigorous in 1961. Count Basie's image appears twice on the cover. vet he does not actually play on

the record. Vaughan's accompanist, Kirk Stuart, takes charge at the keyboard while Basie's men blow energetically on a sheaf of unadorned arrangements from the pen of Thad Jones. Jones and the musicians

give the impression that it is just another day at the office. Still, opportunities to hear Vaughan sing standards with as little embellishment as this are quite rare, though it has to be said that she achieved much more, with the minimum of backing, on the After Hours album, made around the same time

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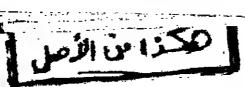
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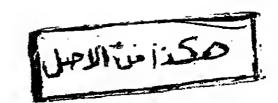
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NEW RELEASES: David Sinclair on albums by Ice T and

Peter Perrett, and a slice of single cheese from Mike Flowers

ICE T VI: Return of the Real (Priority/Rhyme Syndicate/Virgin 7243 8 41700) OF ALL the gangsta rap acts, Ice T

has made the greatest impression on the British mainstream. As author, actor and presenter of Boodasss TV (which returns to Channel 4 tonight), he has become an articulate figurehead for an American strand of black consciousness that many people find distasteful at best.

For while the fictional representation of violence in literature and film is part of an established tradition, the use of music as a vehicle for such purposes still strikes a disturbing chord. On Pimp Anthem, for instance, the frequently repeated refrain of "Bitches get my money before you get dropped" is accompanied by a woman's scream and the sound of a fist hitting a face. The effect of the imagery is all the more chilling for the casual way in which it is linked to a shuffling hip-hop beat. The oftrepeated message that these ugly tales of life in South Central LA are an accurate reflection of reality - a point rammed home on the title

track — is, frankly, not reassuring. That said, there is an undeniable poetic fluency to Ice's grim rhymes, especially the autobiographical I Must Stand and, along with the everyday street sounds of squealing tyres and gunshots, the album is

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distinguished by some supremely taut beats and bass loops.

And if you look for it, Return of the Real is also leavened by a thin thread of black humour. Com-plaining with customary delicacy about the artistic interference which rap acts apparently endure from the "Jewish mother" who run their record companies, Ice comments: "Their sees way off course/lt's like me telling Johnny Cash how to sing about his horse."

GABRIELLE Gobrielle

(Go! Discs 828 724) THE long-running success of her superb single, Give Me a Little More Time, has fuelled considerable interest in Gabrielle's second album. Can there be more where that came from?

Sadly not. For, although this is another carefully crafted selection of conventional pop-soul songs with a light, upmarket sheen, the album is completely overshadowed by the grainy, pseudo-Stax producrion and inspired horn arrangement of that one atypical gem. Otherwise, it is business as usual.

The south London singer boasts a pleasing range of vocal tones. from meek and kittenish on I Live in Hope, to tough and husky on If You Really Cared. But she confines herself to the one subject - affairs of the heart - with lyrics that tread familiar ground.

TOP TEN R&B ALBUMS

There are one or two good tunes, notably There She Goes, a song that would not have sounded out of place on the most recent Lloyd Cole album, but there is a disappointing lack of substance overall

PETER PERRETT IN THE ONE Wake Up Sticky

(Demon FIEND 773) HAVING languished in dark places since the demise of the Only Ones in 1981, the wraith-like figure of Peter Perrett returns at the helm of a new group which he has half-

heartedly christened the One.

A vampiric personality, touched with a fragile and largely unrecognised genius. Perrett con-tinues to write songs that evoke unsettling images of seedy glamour and hint at strange internal ago-nies. "Nodding out, white light/Shadowy figures approach with the night," he sings in his feverish, southern English croak on the poignant title track.

The album is very much cast in the image of the Only Ones and, as in the past, the musical setting often sounds a little too strait-laced to accommodate Perrett's otherworldly persona. But it is good to have him back, and his version of the old Ray Davies song I'm Not Like Everybody Else is spot on.

VARIOUS ARTISTS Common Ground

(EM1 Premier 8 37691) FROM the inanities of the Eurovision Song Contest to the serious barometer of the Billboard World Music chart, where seven of this week's Top Ten albums are by Celtic acts, there is no escape, these days, from the pervasive legacy of the Irish musical tradition.

Throwing his hat into this already crowded ring, producer and multi-iostrumentalist Donal Lunny has assembled an all-star cast of Irish and Irish-related acts.



Speaking the unspeakable: Ice T explores some of the uglier aspects of IA life on Return of the Real

including Bono and Adam Clayton of U2, Elvis Costello, Kate Bush, Sinead O'Connor, Christy Moore and Maire Brennan to record a collection of predominantly tradi-

tional songs for Common Ground.

Although cautiously performed in some cases - although not by Liam O Maoniai, whose Africansounding chant of Cathain is a work of rare and mysterious splendour - the results are generally pleasing if a little predictable.

SINGLE OF THE WEEK

THE MIKE FLOWERS POPS Light My Fire/Please Release Me (London 850 617)

THE man with the golden rug is back, this time transforming hits by the Doors and Engelbert Humperdinck into instant easy-listening classics. Light My Fire has always had a supper-club ambience, and Flowers offers little advance on the José Februano version which was a loung lizard hit in 1968. But the directul ballad, Please Release Me, gets the full cheese treatment - with a scusationally irreverent horn arrangement by Smith & Elms - and comes up smelling of deliciously fake roses.

Wide awake Wener

A YEAR ago, Sleeper were enjoying the thrill of their first hit and launching a debut album that was to sell 150,000 copies. The band's singer and songwriter, Louise Wener, was being leted by the pop papers, where her sharp-witted comments filled their pages and her wide-eyed look adorned their covers. Now, with their new record, The It Girl. Sleeper are receiving a

more muted reception.

Sleeper have changed, it is true, but not necessarily for the worse. Boisterous enthusiasm and rudimentary resources have made way for a more sophisticated style. Keyboards and an additional guitarist flesh out the sound of the original four-piece. There is now a

> Sleeper UEA, Norwich

light show, where before there were

just lights. The songs, too, are part of the

makeover. The infectious bounce of Inbetweener is more sedate; the ribald Delicious seems more restrained. The new songs, mean-while, show off their clever arrangements. Shrinkwrapped veers between gear-grinding guitar sounds and a gentle lilt; Good Luck Mr Gorsky drifts dreamily.

But the show still belongs to Wener. She patrols the middle of the stage; guitarist Jon Stewart and bassist Dild Osman stand quietly to the side. She exudes a quiet confidence as she refuses either pure pop irony or raw rock passion. It is a stance that recalls Debbie Harry, but it is a pity that Wener's voice sounds strained. She should treat herself to a backing

Sleeper may never rediscover the heady days of their debut, but British pop is not so overendowed that it can ignore someone who writes lines about "Dostoevsky's household tips" and then introduces the song by saying, is about knickers".

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in this world more exciting than a genuine Rock Momeni - records and performances by bands that are saved from being acts of sheer insanity by the cathartic coolness of the act. I remember the Manic

Street Preachers on stage two months before Richey disap-peared, noses bleeding from feedback, holding their guitars and eyeing up their amps ... 20 minutes later £8,000 of debris littered the Astoria. There are others: "Jane's

Addiction's first album - it was 1990, everyone thought rock was dead. First four bars and it lived again. It was as simple as that And Primal Scream at Glastonbury in 1992, just after Screamadelica

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There are nice, safe, rock and pop

bands. And then there is Pusherman

Step Inside This House. The intro's got a whistle in it -I was just standing in a field, in the dark, listening to 60,000 people whistling. The girl next to me fainted - she said later on that she got so excited thinking about how great the rest of the

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song was going to sound that her brain overheated." And Pusherman's first gig. We hired a warehouse, and charged everyone £3 to get in.

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one we knew, told them to invite anyone they knew, and went up to complete strangers in pubs and clubs and invited them too. We thought we'd break even if 250 people turned up. We had

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makes people want to have a good time, you have to be having a good time yourself, to experiment with different moods," Yank grins. "We thought we'd trying recording naked, or in drag, on the floor. When we finished a track, we would set the speakers up outside, turn the volume up loud and roll around naked, screaming. Well, they all did that," he adds. "I thought it was a bit cold."

"In order to write music that

"They had the police out looking for him." Martin counters, gesturing at Yank. "When we recorded in Cornwall, Yank went wandering off to find a chip shop. Five hours later we realised he still hadn't come back, so we called out the police, had a helicopters and sniffer-dogs situation going on until dawn, whereupon Yank turned up with a head wound and no memory."

"I'm being more sensible at the moment," Yank says, pointing to his mineral water.

o, with all these rock shenanigans going on, aren't Pusherman's parents horrified by their lifestyle? "Oh no." Martin says.
"My dad's an actor — he's been in The Bill and, um - 1 dunno what else. He keeps really quiet, we never know what he does. You'll be sitting there watching Casualty and suddenly go, Wow, that mangled, bleeding leg — it's my dad's!

"He thinks the band's great. He rang up yesterday and said: 'I went to HMV in Hampstead, and they don't have a copy of the single; but then I went to Rhythm Records and asked for it and they instantly said 'CD or vinyl?" He's saved us a fortune in market research." • The single, Chase II, is out now

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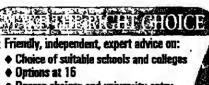
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EDUCATION

How to make schools safe

Susan Elkin offers solutions to the

growing problem of dangerous

intruders

chool security will be back in the news next week, as head teachers vent their anxieties about the state of their premises and their vulnerability in the face of aggressive and abusive

The tragic deaths of Philip Lawrence, the head teacher who died protecting a pupil, and of Nicky Conroy, the schoolgirl shot dead while quietly at work in a school classroom, should have focused attention on the problem of how to keep undesirables away from schools. Unfortunately they did not - or not

Before last week's government report on the subject could be compiled, the school security timebomb, which has ticked menacingly for years, finally blew up. The deranged Thomas Hamilton ran amok and killed 16 infants and a teacher at Dunblane in March.

Less dramatic — but nonetheless

serious -- breaches of school security go on all the time. About four years ago, I had to drive an injured 60-year-old male colleague to hospital. Three young thugs had arrived, trespassing on our girls' school premises via the open side-door. Ron, a smallish, white-haired man, challenged the intruders. Their vicious attack left him on the ground, his face so badly bruised and bleeding that we feared for his left eye.

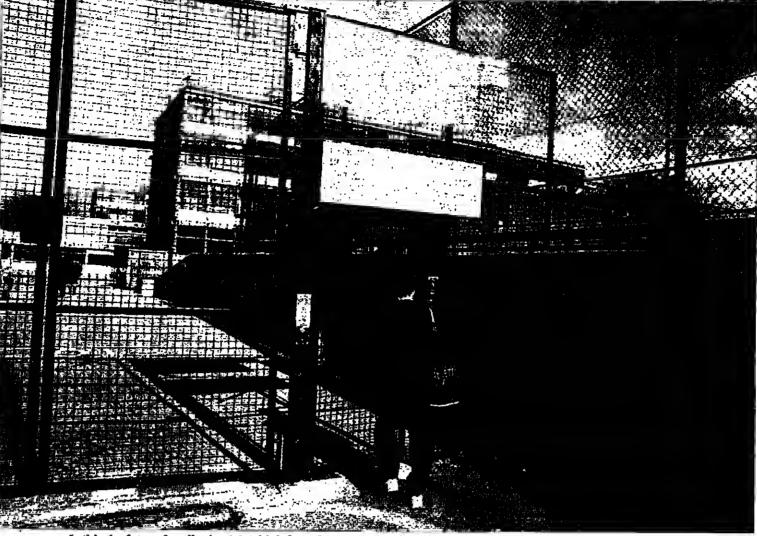
My office was near the ever-

problematic side-door, in an out-ofthe-way corner. On several occasions. outside visitors arrived unexpectedly at my door. Usually they were affable, having made a genuine error. On one or two occasions they were alarmingly aggressive. In the end, I never sat working in there with the door unlocked. If I was doubtful, I rang for reinforcements before 1

opened up. I learnt a salutary lesson when f needed special protection one lunchtime when an aggricved mother marched in to "sort me out". My crime? I had reprimanded her less-thau-angelic daughter for

misbehaviour. Several schools in my area have suffered devastating arson attacks. Millions have had to be spent on refurbishment or rebuilding, simply because arsonists could walk on to school premises at will.

Then there is theft. It is quite common for thieves to wander into school in search of easy pickings



Is this the future for all schools? A high fence keeps out intruders at the Geoffrey Chaucer School in east London

during the working day. I taught in one school where people and property had to be protected by a security guard with an alsatian during parents' evenings.

It is getting worse, for two reasons. First, criminal behaviour seems to be increasing at an alarming rate. Too many people have too little to do, and amorality is becoming the norm.

Secondly, many school buildings are in a parlous state. Fences are nonexistent or damaged, filmsy doors need repairing, many sites are ill-lit

tant based in Surrey, tells schools

trying to improve security: "Find out

what the risks are likely to be - then

get independent objective advice and

Schools are top of the list of

commercial buildings likely to be

damaged by arson, be says. "Good

boundary security is vital. It's got to

define the school as private property.

get an integrated solution."

money and priorities.

There are at least four things, already done by some and addressed m last week's report, which all schools should now be required, and assisted financially, to do.

No school building should have more than one main door. Other doors should be alarmed emergency fire exits, opening only from the inside. The main door should have an entryphone system. Once school is in

secure lockable doors and windows

and lighting which shows up the

peripheral areas but not the

"You might consider the judicious use of closed-circuit television as a

deterrent - although its main use is

as an investigative tool. Electronic

tags or an access cootrol system are

fine but must be carefully managed.

building.

and not enough use is made of session, no one should be able to get alarms. Most of this comes down to onto the premises uninvited. onto the premises uninvited.

There should be a vehicle barrier at the main gate or entrance to the grounds and an intercom connection to the main office. This would prevent unwanted or unknown vehicles from being driven onto the site.

Every visitor should be issued with an electronic tag so that the school office can track precisely who is on

All school sites should be properly fenced. Open green sites which

CUTTING DOWN THE RISK: AN EXPERT VIEW

image. As schools, like industry

move into the high-tech world they

must beware of computer theft. Chip

IAN JOHNSON, a security consul- There should be good access control. Security guards are expensive and might give a school the wrong

> theft has reached epidemic propor-Good asset-tagging systems to monitor equipment are coming oo the market now and we have high bones of them"

double as unofficial public parks for the local community at weekends and after school hours are simply not safe. I know one formerly "open" school which was comprehensively fenced just before Christmas, Staff and pupils unanimously report that they feel much safer now.

And lastly, public footpaths. The last three schools I have taught at have all been traversed by public rights of way. Since you cannot always distinguish the harmful from the harmless, it should be a condition planning permission that footpaths are diverted off site when new schools are proposed. Schools and local education authorities should. moreover, be applying, as a matter of priority, to move all the existing paths which cross school sites.

Some local authorities are reputed to "require" a specific accident tally at a danger spot on the road before they will sanction the construction of a zebra crossing. Are we seeing the same careless-of-life attitude to the safety of children and adults in schools?

From dyslexia to public school scholar

Bruce Kemble visits the country

prep trying a new approach

ruem Abbey prep school, in a Georgian school, in a Georgian bouse nearly lost in the depths of the Cotswolds, is about to become the the country's first prep entirely devoted to converting dyslexic pupils into successful candidates for top public schools.

For seven years, it has been a conventional institution with a reputation for doing well by its children with special learning difficulties. Already, Leo Geddes, a dyslexic pupil from the Shipton-under-Wychwood school, has won a place at Eton. Leo was a judge's son who the staff say was brilliant and will one day be a QC. But

he lacked confidence. Now Sterling Stover, the prep's American-born Principal, has decided to admit only. those suffering from dyslexia. He says: "Socially, we were marvellous; but academically there were problems. We han-dled the dyslexics in the conventional way. They would be taken out of lessons for help in a small group. This worked when it was for only two or three lessons a week - but if they needed more when they came back into mainstream classes, they had to catch up.

Their schoolmasters, being schoolmasters, would want to make sure they'd catch up, so they'd set the same material again. The boys who had not missed these lessons would have to go through them again and began to feel resentful. It became counter-productive."

Numbers went down. Mr Stover recruited Paddy Heazell, a leading prep-school headmaster, and discussed what to do.

Mr Stover, a lawyer, says: We have superb prep schools on each side of us - Summer Fields, the Dragon, Cothill with magnificent facilities.

country and are only 35 minutes' drive away. There is not the demand for a small country prep any more. We needed to do something educationally different. We are not in competition with these schools. We couldn't offer on a smaller scale what the Dragon did. The answer became fairly obvious. We should concentrate on what we did well: concentrating on children who are not thriving in a conven-

tional environment. Mr Stover, who has born in Texas 45 years ago and has lived in England for 20 years, bought Bruern Abbey because he fell "in love with the south front on a summer's day".

e added: "There are about half a dozen independent schools that concentrate on dyslexic children, but they do not prepare them for the Common Entrance exam — the only passport to public schools. We felt there was a need for a school that would change its teaching methods, without altering the Common Entrance

And though the buildings may be nearly three centuries old, he is striding out at the head of the technological revo-

The laptop or the computer may well be the great equal-iser for dyslexic children," he says. "Each of our pupils will have one."

Teachers often say: "If you can spell, you're not dyslexic."
Mr Stover says: "The pupils who can word-process all their essays in the Common Entrance will have a great advantage. Imagine the effect on the markers if they see something beautifully typewritten and without a spelling mistake."



Bruern Abbey prep school: an unusual approach

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Stephen Logan on the reality behind the university ratings. Are students losing out?

ast week's Good University Guide made full use of the official assessments of teaching and research which have assumed such importance in higher education. By measuring teaching and research in crude quantitative terms, the Government claims to be indicating the relative merits

of university departments. However, to judge from my conversations with non-academics, the public has little idea of what is really going on. Bad measurements that look precise are the most misleading. The present system of academic accountancy, as described in last week's Education pages, is calculat-ed to mislead government officials, parents, teachers, students, journalists and aca-

demics themselves. In the 1980s the Government decided that universities should be assessed by their power to produce marketable goods. The nearest thing to that in most subjects is a book. So, since 1992,

Teaching comes a poor second universities have been as-

sessed by the quantity of their published research. Academics accordingly use the term "research" for any academic publication.

Since 1995, the Government has displayed the sophistication of its interest in university teaching by assessing that too. The system has survived not because it is an accurate measure of a department's educational quality, but because most academics who do well under it collude

Measuring a department's quality by its research output inevitably discriminates against students. Academics were formally expected to fit their private studies around their teaching. Now they are penalised if they do not concentrate on their 'research".

Until the introduction of

assessment exercise.

most academics would have agreed that discussing with students was a useful way of testing, refin-

(and disseminating) Teaching. knowledge. short, was mutually beneficial. But canny lecturers now know that their bread is buttered chiefly on one side -and students are getting increasingly short measure. University teaching has be-

come a second-class activity. People who achieve good research ratings are rewarded by exemption from teaching. This reduces the number of good teachers available,



already wellestablished secondraters. The main burden of teaching is

and tends to

increasingly borne either by people not especially wellqualified to do it, or by people whose expertise is poorly repaid with either praise or

Institutions that pride themselves on their research are frequently quite shameless about this, advertising jobs for "teaching assistants" at £5,000 a year, or relying on freelancers and postgradu-ates to bump up their staffstudent ratios. Nonetheless, a department can still get an "excellent" for teaching when one-to-one supervision of students is a rarity and classes of 20 undergraduates and up-The crudeness of the meth-

od for assessing teaching makes the research assessment exercise look subtle. How many of the schoolteachers who are impressed to see a university department rated "excellent" realise a) that the only alternatives are "satisfactory" and "unsatisfactory" and b) that these ratings are not awarded by ssessors, but are applied for by university departments,

then checked by assessors? Good researchers are rewarded individually. Good teachers are not. My best teachers — and I consider myself fortunate in having had several - did not publish much. Under the actuarial system of today, the quality of

their work would not have been recognised. On the other hand, most

academic books and articles are not worth the writing. Most of what wins a university a "5" in the research ratings is neither useful nor enjoyable. The energy that goes into them would, for the most part, be better spent on teaching. This would be good for students, good for the morale of gifted teachers, and would clear the ground so that really valuable published work would be easily recog-nised by more than a small army of anxiety-ridden dons.

There is no justification for the fact that exceptional teachers are undervalued while mediocre "researchers" are overpraised. No justification besides the fact that it is easier to count pages than to understand the subtle means by which the best kinds of learning are nourished.

● The author is Director of Studies in English at St Ed-mund's College, Cambridge.

FOUR departments were

should have been joint seventh for computing and Birming-ham University tenth in the music table.

ies at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, would have made the top 20 for geography, geology or environmena science but was not included

The commentary to the chemistry table omitted Imperial College, London, from the list of departments with a top rating for both teaching and research. The college was correctly placed fourth in the table.

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The high price of peace in Bosnia Help is needed to restore higher education in

or much of the past four years, Bosnian academ-ics have had to negotiate sniper's alleys on the way to deliver lectures in the unheated, bomb-damaged halls of Sarajevo and

As the civil war raged, many lecturers carried on teaching working without pay in appalling conditions to enable hundreds of equally determined undergraduates to complete their degrees.

Now, as the two universities begin the process of recon-struction, a London-based appeal set up to aid their survival is marking its first birthday with a renewed call for help.
Academic Lifeline for Bos-

nia was established under the auspices of the World University Service (an Austrian organisation which helps univer-sities in crisis). With the Association of University Teachers publicising the appeal nationwide, cash and

Sarajevo and Tuzla, Daniel Rosenthal reports

thousands of pounds worth of books and stationery came in from as far afield from Bosnia as Huddersfield and Southampton. The latest aid shipry dons. ment left last month.

From a 1992 peak of 2t,500 full-time and 10,000 part-time students, Sarajevo University now has perhaps 8,000 in total. Of 1,500 academic staff, 14 were killed and fewer than 500 remain. More than 30 per cent of the university's premises were destroyed. The situation in Tuzla is not much

British universities cannot afford to offer major financial assistance. But, according to the founders of Academic Lifeline — Dr Celia Hawkesworth. of the School of Slavonic and East European Studies, in London, and Dr Zoran Pajic. formerly Professor of International Public Law at Sarajevo they can contribute by revitalising Bosnia's war-wea-

Dr Pajic says: "If Sarajevo and Tuzla academics could spend a few weeks at a British university they would re-es-tablish contact with the higher education community and regain their self-confidence."

'As well as facing terrible physical hardships, they have been isolated from new books and journals for four years. Just being able 10 work in a well-stocked library would recharge their research and

teachine batteries." Last November, Academic Lifeline organised a consciousness-raising tour of 11 UK universities by Professor Nedzad Mulabegovic, Rector

Enver Mandzic, Pro-Rector of Tuzla. As a result, Derby and Keele universities and Wye College, London, are hoping to arrange short visits by Bosnian staff. But Dr Pajic, now at King's College London, knows that many more offers of help are needed.

The opening of a new British Council office in Sarajevo in March provided a welcome boost. Susan Barnes, the office's director, says: "Supporting higher education in Sarajevo and Tuzla is one of my main priorities."

Academic Lifeline is also offering cash support to Sarajevo and Tuzla's lecturers, many of whom may be considering moving abroad. A "Stop The Brain Drain" fund, which

aims to provide £40 a month for individual staff members, was set up late last year by Dr Hazel Smith, director of the Iniversity of Kent's Centre of International Relations. "It might not sound a lot. but conditions are still so bad that it would make a huge

difference in encouraging

people to stay," she says. The fund stands at £3,200, leaving Dr Smith a long way off her target of £10,000 by June. Dr Pajic believes that higher education in Bosnia has a pivotal role to play - one that concerns more than the training of the next generation of doctors, lawyers and

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Big names' boycott drives Indy 500 to crisis point

place for a battleground.

The swathe of scruffy countryside that hides the hulk of the Michigan International Speedway is a bystander not a participant, a land where giant trucks rumble between the Great Lakes. where red paint peels off dilapidated barns. The clue is in the names of the towns. Waterloo is nearby, so is Bunkerhill, Napoleon is three miles away . . . and the army is

They began arriving here yesterday. All the biggest names in IndyCar racing pulled in off US12 and swept into the daunting oval track. the fastest speedway in the world. Al Unser Jr, Emerson Fittipaldi, Michael Andretti. Paul Tracy and Mark Blundell - they were all there. On Sunday, they will climb into their cars and begin the pro-cess of trying to destroy the most famous motor race in the

This year, they are boycotting the Indianapolis 500, tra-ditionally the highlight, al-most the raison d'être, of the IndyCar calendar, to race here in the inaugural US500. In the process, they have turned the Indy 500 into Wimbledon without Agassi, Sampras and Muster, an event without its leading players.

More than that, their absence has led to fears that the novices who have been rushed in as their replacements will be overwhelmed by the speeds reached on the 2.5-mile banked oval. The pessimists are preparing for a gory procession of crashes

The struggle for the heart and soul of single-seater racing in America, personified in rival races this weekend, is essentially a squabble between Tony George, the president of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and IndyCar's most pow-erful team owners. At the end of last season, George estab-lished the breakaway Indy Racing League (IRL), using the presence of the Indianapolis 00 in its calendar as its sole



Oliver Holt reports from Brooklyn, Michigan, on the effects of a motor racing rival

selling point, hoping to coax away teams from the familiar Championship Auto Racing Teams (Cart) organisation that runs IndyCar.

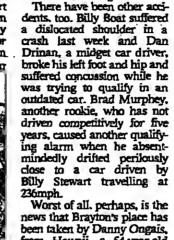
Few were seduced, so, at the start of the year. George resorted to the ultimate sametion and ruled that the first 25 places on the grid for the Indy 500 would be reserved for cars racing in the IRL. At that point, the big guns in the IndyCar series decided that enough was enough and announced plans for the US500 to be staged on the same weekend. Most thought that it was brinksmanship on both sides and that compromise would be reached, but no

solution has been found. George has used the IRL to trumpet the cause of young American racers who could not find a place in IndyCar, but Andrew Craig, the chief executive of Cart, who had to fight off an injunction trying to stop the organisation using the name IndyCars, claims that George's motives lie else-

"Seventeen years ago," he said, "team owners decided that the way IndyCars was being run by the US Auto Club, which was an extension of Indianapolis, could be improved upon. It was mediocre and badiy regulated. It was going nowhere fast. They transformed it into what IndyCar has become today. Now the Speedway would like that back. They feel it was stolen from them. They would like it back, but we are not

particularly interested

o, on Sunday, two hours before 98,000 spectators watch the cream of IndyCar racers begin their 200-lap spectacular here, the biggest crowd for any singleday event anywhere in the world, more than 350,000 people, will converge on India-napolis to hear the famous command, "Gentlemen, start your engines", and settle down to watch a field of largely unknown drivers compete for the most prestigious title in



wall at more than 230mph.

George's tribute was inter-

preted in some quarters as,

unwittingly or not, an adver-tising speech. Scott Brayton died doing what he loved

best," George said. "Going fast at the Indianapolis Motor

Brayton's funeral, led by a

Speedway pace car and waved

along by chequered flags, took place on Wednesday, in Coldwater, Michigan.

been taken by Danny Ongais, from Hawaii, a 54-year-old who has not raced in an IndyCar for nine years. For those seeking any more bad omens, one is hidden in Tony George's past. Elmer, his father, crashed on the parade lap while he waved to the crowd before his first India-

motor racing. More than half the field, 17 out of the 33 starters, have never raced at Indianapolis before and the difference between the fastest and slowest lap times is more than twice that of previous years, another statistic that is causing alarm and trepidation. The race, won last year by Jacques Villeneuve, who will be a spectator at the rival USS00 on Sunday, was dealt a severe blow a week ago when Scott Brayton, one of the only experienced drivers in the event and the man who was on pole position, was killed during practice. His right rear tyre burst and catapulted his Lola Buick into the concrete

Gifford in control of the high-spirited O'Leary in their dressage test yesterday

History defied by Johnston

By JENNY MACARTHUR

AVRIL JOHNSTON, on the aptly-named independent Archie, held a slender 0.8pt lead over Pippa Funnell, the defending champion, on Rain-bow Magic, at the end of a windy, rain-swept first day of dressage at the Windsor International Horse Trials yesterday. Daisy Dick, the daughter of

Dave Dick, the 1956 Grand National winner, was in third place on For The Crack much to her surprise. "He must look a lot better then he feels," she said. Other good tests came from Jemima Johnson, on Canadian Gold, her stylish ex-racehorse, and Emma Douglas-Miller, on Red Baron III, who were in

joint fourth place. Johnston's flowing test on Independent Archie belied the

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turbulent history of the nineyear-old gelding. "He was going to get the bullet as a young horse because no one could break him in," she said. Impressed by the way that he regularly escaped from his field over a brick wall. Johnston persuaded Caroline Dunneri to buy him. He is still difficult and allows only John-

Funnell, who might have retained her lead had Rainbow Magic not broken in the extended trot, was nevertheless delighted with his performance. One of four talented seven-year-olds in her Surrey yard. Rainbow Magic was bought two years ago from Peter Charles, the European showjumping champion. Recent cross-country train-

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ing from Mark Phillips has also boosted her morale. She plans to take all the quick routes on the course tomorrow. Dick was keeping her plans flexible. For The Crack spent two years as a hunting hireling in Ireland and, as a result, is almost too careful in the country. With several international

riders close behind them including Matt Ryan, the Olympic champion from Australia, on Kibah Sandstone, and Kristina Gifford, an Olympic shortlisted rider for Great Britain, on O'Leary the leaders cannot afford mistakes tomorrow. Gifford, who was up at 6.30am to make sure that the high-spirited O'Leary was well worked in for his dressage, is likely to move up from eighth tomorrow.

COURSES

Wigan's imports tackle Bath at their own game

By Christopher Irvine

VA'AIGA TUIGAMALA. dubbed "Inga the winger" in his erstwhile New Zealand rugby union days, will become Inga the flanker at Twickenham tomorrow. The former All Black is part of an allinternational union back row for Wigan, alongside Scott Quinnell, once of Wales, and Shem Tatupu, of Western Samoa, in the return crosscode match against Bath. under union rules.

Wigan can call upon some formidable union experience, but that does not detract from the struggle expected, especially in the set pieces. They toyed with the idea of putting Tuigamala in the front row. Rather than ballast, however, his penetrating strength was seen as better for making quick inroads and tackling

around the fringes.
Farrell and Haughton, for no reason other than height, are the lineout jumpers chosen to oppose Redman and Haag. The front row is Wigan's usual one of O'Connor. Hall and Cowie - whose knowledge of

union comprises a handful of training sessions. Wigan must rely on Bath mistakes, rather than on their ball-winning capacity, to launch a running game, and will have to do so without Shaun Edwards, their captain and scrum half. He, has bruised ribs and Craig Murdock steps in at half back alongside Joe Lydon, pressganged out of retirement after 18 months, mainly for his tactical kicking. Where Wigan have the potential beating of Bath is a threequarter line of Robinson, Connolly, Paul and Offiah.

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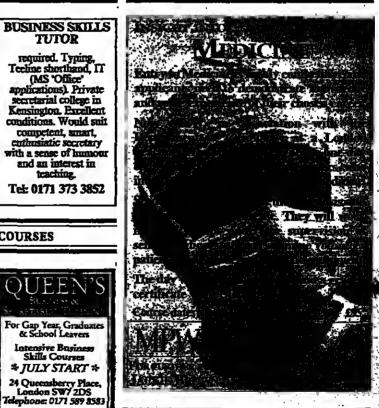
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Hartington stokes fires of reform

By Richard Evans, racing correspondent

ONE of the most remarkable Horseracing Board (BHB) chapters in British racing this century draws to a close next month. Peregrine Andrew Morny Cavendish Hartington - known to one and all as Stoker" - steps down from the helm of a sport which has been transformed by his leadership over the past seven

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For once, the superlatives are not misplaced. The name of Hartington will rank alongside those of Rous and Bentinck as one of the great reformers of the Turf. In some ways his achievements dwarf those of his 19th Century predecessors; while they enjoyed absolute power, he has had to rely on reasoned argument, trust and bundles of natural charm.

Shortly after becoming senior steward of the Jockey Club in 1989, he realised that the self-elected oligarchy which had run the sport for more than two centuries would no longer suffice in a world where democracy, ac-countability and fair representation mattered. Perhaps it was just coincidence that another leader, faced with an equally ancient regime, was thinking along similar lines. His name was Mikhail Gorbachev. Both men, products of the old order, set about bring-

ing in the new. Hartington was helped by a Commons select committee inquiry which examined the management of racing and found it wanting. Armed with their conclusions, he persuaded the Jockey Club and those outside that the creation of a new representative body to run racing was crucial to the

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8.05 WILLIAM HILL HANDICAP

8.35 MICK MCCDY MEMORIAL

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6.45 FRIENDS OF THE NORTHERN RACING

was born during the summer of 1903 and, after serving as its first chairman for three years, he will step down on June 6.
What was a bit daunting at

the beginning was to see whether this completely new thing was going to work and, of course, it is much too early to say. From the internal point of view, so far so good, it has worked well. The relationship with the Jockey Club is good and all the changeovers. like the handicappers moving to the BHB, have gone smoothly.

"The outside will take a lot longer because it is still unproven. The perception of success depends on whether the industry thinks the BHB is working. If the industry accepts decisions which go against a particular bit of it such as racecourses or owners - then it is working. And that, so far. has more or less worked.

"It will probably get more difficult, certainly if the betting trends go downwards. That would lead to real pressure. Money papers over a lot of cracks and, if there is less money, the cracks get wider a

The BHB's main achievement is that between us we have managed to be heard in Wesiminster. That was probably the biggest challenge. Whilst we don't always get everything we want, we have had three lots of tax changes. incuding VAT, Sunday racing and significant deregulation."

Perhaps the hardest task facing his successor, Lord Wakeham, is preventing racing from indulging in another bout of blood-letting as pressport's future. The British sure grows for increased prize-

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7.50 BROADWAYS STAMPINGS NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,173; 2m 6) (12)

11-4 Manor Physics, 3-1 Charged, 7-7 Drampation, 5-1 Function Gale 5-1 And Why Not, 12-1 Lo-Flying Missile, 14-1 Tenbit, 16-1 others

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HURDLE (£2,952: 2ml) (9)

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Lord Hartington enjoys a day at Goodwood as he nears the end of his chairmanship of the British Horseracing Board

money, gaining control of the Tote and the spending functions of the Levy Board. The threat of internal feuding is never far away.

Hartington knows the dangers, but he stresses the posirive. The latest bee in my bonnet is lack of communication. I think the real mistake the Jockey Club made was that it didn't tell anybody what it was doing and, therefore, people assumed it was not doing anything. Of course, it was, but without telling anyone, people were not aware of it, And that is a still a problem for the BHB and the Jockey Club. If we fail

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6.20 Abbotsham. 6,50 Antonio Mariano, 7.20 Sartorius, 7,50 Funcheon Gale. 8,20 Hermes

to bring the industry with us it will be a failure of communi-As an owner and breeder -

he has more than 20 horses in Training with Luca Cumani, John Gosden, David Morley, Henrietta Knight and owns Side Hill Stud - he is acutely aware of how British prizemoney still lags well behind countries such as France. The BHB will have to continue to explain and to perform. It is not just good enough saying we are doing our best. We have to show pople what we are doing.

"Similarly, if we don't understand what the problems of bookmakers are, we will make mistakes. Even if we don't agree with them, we have to understand their difficulties and lately I think all on the BHB absolutely accept the offcourse bookmakers have been

having a very difficult rime. "Sometimes in the racing industry there is a perception that all bookmakers are multimillionaires. That may have been the case 15 years ago, but it certainly isn't the case now. There is no point anybody thinking they have got loads of money which they can give away to us, because that is not

In the space of seven years,

Hartington's ability to lead and inspire has saved racing from itself and given the sport a chance to flourish as the new century beckons. Whether the BHB will be able to take advantage without the man whose vision brought it all about remains to be seen, but he has some advice for his

colleagues on the board. Keep listening, because that is what we all have to do. Talking is fine, but you have to listen as well. It is very important racing should go on being fun - because it is nothing otherwise."

NOTTINGHAM THUNDERER 2.20 Cornedy River. 2.50 Cretan Gift, 3,20 Sevs. 3.50 Desert Spring. 4.20 Macmorris. 4.50 Broughton's

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.20 SCOTTISH PARK. Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.20 Seva. 4.20 ELA-YIE-MOU (nap).

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DRAW. 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

(£3,218: 3m 11) (8 runners)

1 R065 THE WIDSET MAN 83 (F,C,S) J Gelord 10-17-0

2 31-P CB STON LASS 16 (0,F,G) 1 King 511-9.

J R Navasaghi
3 PIP2 HBLWALA 16 (C,F,G,S) R Guic, 10-11-6

4 PMS2 POLAR RESION 11 (F,C,S) N Hendeston 10-11-4 Mr C Vigore (5)
5 5455 WIBBRE LORRAINE 17 (D,F,G,S) R Amer 11-11-3

C Levelyn
6 4-PP ABBOTSHAM 21 (F,C,S) 0 Camer 11-11-2

A Photograph ABBOTSHAM 21 (F,C,S) 0 Camer 11-11-2

T 5422 FATHER DOWLING 13 (V,BF,G) 6 Baking 9-10-C. A P 14cCoy
6 5542 WOODLANDS GENBARE 8 (V,C,D,F) P Published 11-19-C R Davis
9-4 Pobr Region, 5-2 Hillingh 5-1 Father Develop, 6-1 Wicecauchs 3ctive 9-1

Wirene Lorraine 10-1 Giston Lass, 12-1 other. 2.20 ARNOLD SELLING HANDICAP

(£2,070: 1m 1l 213yd) (23 runners)

2 191 1-00 Size SAD NO 50 (D.5) Lod Hartengdon 4-9-10
Airnet Cook (7) 86
11-5 5-91 STITTEE PROBES 37 (D.5.0) MULACOTROCK 4-9-7 R Hughes 90
11-5 5-91 STITTEE PROBES 37 (D.5.0) MULACOTROCK 4-9-7 R Hughes 90
11-6 1-7 5-90 (D.1) SUIST 23 (C.6.5) I Booden 6-9-4. M Herry (5) 85
11-6 11-7 5-90 (D.1) SUIST 23 (C.6.5) I Booden 6-9-4. M Herry (5) 85
11-6 11-7 5-90 (D.1) SUIST 23 (C.6.5) I Booden 6-9-4. M Herry (5) 85
11-6 11-7 5-90 (D.1) SUIST 23 (C.6.5) I HUGHES 10-9-4. A Conta 90
11-6 11-7 5-90 (D.1) SUIST 23 (C.6.5) I HUGHES 10-9-4. T Desmi 85
11-6 10-90 (BORANAN 312 (D.5) I J. 600 (I.6.5) I HUGHES 10-9-2. R Fallon 85
11-6 10-90 (BORANAN 22 (D.5,6.5) I HUGHES 14-9-2. T THES 90
11-6 11-90 (BORANAN 22 (D.5,6.5) I HUGHES 14-9-9. R Edward 87
11-6 11-6 11-6 (D.6.5) I HUGHES 14-9-9-9. R Harvin (5) 93
11-6 11-6 (D.6.5) MAZILA 11 (V.0) A Specier 4-9-0. R Harvin (5) 93
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11-7 5-00 (D.6.5)

20 (2) 05-0 BATTERY BOY 25 (8) W Story 4-5-5 ... 6 Hardwar 21 (16) 0600 HARPA STERY 27 (3.7) N Lehrostor 4-5-8 T 5 M Lamyllo. 22 (2) 000 RESEARCH CT (3.7) N Lehrostor 4-5-8 T 5 M Lamyllo. 22 (2) 000 RESEARCH CTPA 17 Par Michael 4-5 ... 6 Deroked 6-1 Amosome Power 18-1 Scottch Park Cornery River 12-1 Bobantyn, 14-1 Spring Bridge, 16-1 Marchman, 20-1 others

2.50 RADCLIFFE LIMITED STAKES (£2,381: 6f 15yd) (18)

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1 (6) 0162 CRETAN GET 18 (8,0,5) N Latracks 5-9-7 16 McLangfan 90 163 1125 MANNAN SUSHER 18 (0,5,6) C MArray 4-9-7 6 Faultine (7) 89 2 (17) 0302 MANNAN SUSHER 18 (0,5,6) C MArray 4-9-7 6 Faultine (7) 89 3 (17) 0302 MANNAN SUSHER 18 (0,5,6) C Marray 4-9-7 6 Faultine (7) 87 4 (10) 329 4 MCCONT BLE 200 (0,5) E Meyries 5-9-4 C Scaddar (7) 87 13 300 MANLESS 13 (V,0,5) E Meyries 4-9-4 C Scaddar (7) 87 12 3400 PETRACO 4 (0,5,6,5) N Scribt 5-9-4 C Scaddar (7) 87 12 3400 PETRACO 4 (0,5,6,5) N Scribt 5-9-4 S G Millians 88 114 (60 -4 Sing UP 22 M McCorrand 4-9-4 S G Millians 89 114 (60 -4 Sing UP 22 M MCCorrand 4-9-4 C Sing UP 22 M MCCorrand 4-9-4 Receive (7) 87 11 115 0000 METRE LE BOW 15 Pal Matchel 4-9-1 America Sanders (5) 74 11 115 0000 METRE LE BOW 15 Pal Matchel 4-9-1 America Sanders (5) 74 116 1-16 MCCS SAMBARNY 32 (0,5,6) P Majora 3-8-12 T Cultim 87 11 115 0000 METRE LE BOW 15 Pal Matchel 4-9-1 America Sanders (6) 74 161 1-16 MCCS SAMBARNY 32 (0,5,6) P Majora 3-8-12 T Cultim 87 15 (1) 6-5 DARRIGO VERTURE 31 1 Noophina 3-8-5 T Awritey (7) 80 17 18 16 5-4 FARWWY LASS 24 Lord Hurlangbor 3-8-5 D Harrison 94 (7) 605 P PRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 Malarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P FRINCESS EPSIO 15 0 McMarbor 3-8-6 D Millians 3-9 P P FRINCE 9-7 Faceway Lass 5-1 Barato 7-1 Cretan Gdt, 8-1 WMd Palm, 10-1 Xings Harmony. 12-1 Rdft, Samustom, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS: N Cabbago. 3 witners from 4 navers, 75 0%, M Ware, 3 from 12, 75 0%, I Baiding, 5 from 21, 23 8%, P Cole, 13 from 62, 21 0%, J Duniop, 19 from 99, 192%, 6 Loder, 3 from 17, 17.6% JOCKEYS: 1 Outro, 15 winners from 93 rides, 10 1%, I' Spraids, 8 from 52, 15 4%, R Hills, 11 from 73, 15 1%, 6 Harrison, 9 from 68, 13 0%, K Faikon, 8 from 84, 10 7%. Only qualifiers

3.20 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,363: 61 15yd) (6)

3.50 DPTION CLAIM LEGAL EXPENSE

PROTECTION HANDICAP (£3,889: 1m 11 213yd) (15)

1 15) 50-6 DESBY SPRING 18 P Name 4-10-0 . M Henry (5) 90

2 11) 255 VOILA PREMIERS 266 (F) M Templare 4-9-12 P Robinson 89

1 4) 30-3 SEDRIGE BULL 25 W Henr 4-9-8 . I Spring 90

4 100 -104 SCOTTEN BAMBI 14 (D.F.G) P Webber 3-9-7 R Pentage 95

5 (8) 000 SCLARED AWAY 17 J Payre 4-9-1 B Thomson 90

6 (15) 8-800 CANC FULL 21 (D.F.J.) Pearse 5-9-0 B Randwell 07

7 19) 0560 CUR TOM ED (8) J Warfen 4-9-0 K Fallon 92

6 (12) 12-0 BELLATEENA 25 (D.F.) H Collegade 4-8-11 J Dann 90

9 (6) 63-3 MASTER M-F-N 17 (7) N Babbage 4-8-11 J Dann 90

10 (2) 3042 ZAHRAN 4 (F.S.) J Bradley 5-7-13 N Carleste 28

11 (13) 10-0 FRESH LOOK 31 (6) R Socret 4-7-12 N Kennady 88

12 111 -025 BROKZE MACLETTE 14 (D.G) T Hend 6-7-16 M Baird (5) 91

13 111 D-06 SERY (RINGSOM 14 M Brittan 5-7-10 R M Baird (5) 91

14 (14) 0050 PARROMANIA 4 (B) J L Herre 4-7-10 R Madden (7) 80

15 17) 0-06 ABSOLUTELYSTLANDORS 11 Mrs 8 Warreg 3-7-10 N Variety (3) 96 PROTECTION HANDICAP (£3,889: 1m 1l 213yd) (15)

9-2 George Bull, 5-1 Vota Premiere, Scottish Bambi, 8-1 Macies M-E-N, Zahvan, 12-1 Bronze Maguetle, 14-1 others

4.20 GEDLING HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,623: 1m 6f 15yd) (8)

111 D-21 SHOOTING LIGHT 15 (S) M Jarve 9-7 P Bloomfield 94 [44 5-03 PLA-VIE-MOU 17 (BF) L Comma 9-1 R Hughes 96 (B) D-10 MLMTADI 28 (G) J Doolog 9-1 R Hills 93 (G) -052 MACMORISS 22 P Cole 8-12 T Dumm 93 (6) 3322 DANCING CAVALER 45 (G) R Hotinshead 8-11 E Goffins (S) (B) 5-2 Ela-Yie-Mou. 7-2 Shooting Light. 4-1 Macmonis, 5-1 Danoting Cavales, bifluence Padler 8-1 Disclor Green, 18-1 others.

4.50 COLWICK APPRENTICES MAIDEN HANDICAP (£2,090: 1m 54yd) (20)

10 (2) 4004 DSCAR ROSE 286 Lord Hunterglon 3-8-12 JW fundon [3] 92
11 (3) 0-60 JONA HOLLEY 22 | Building 3-8-11 R Maillen [5] 92
12 (15) -630 BAD NEWS 10 J Bradley 4-9-11 C Loretter [5] 93
13 (1) 3-00 RED'S CONTESSA 4 (6) M Dock 3-6-5 J Derres 93
14 (14) 000 DPENHER RANGE 8 (8) M Dock 3-6-5 J Derres 93
15 (60) 0000- SPA (ANE 213 P Maken 3-8-4 A Eddary 15 (60) 0000- SPA (ANE 213 P Maken 3-8-4 R Henrich [5) 9-6
16 (1) 0-00 RUSTIC SONG 42 J Warton 3-6-2 R P Henrich [5) 9-6
17 (11) -002 RADAMABBLE 11 Per Mecket 3-8-0 J Mean [6] 90
18 (12) 755- Mass FOFFEE MOSE 459 D Casprose 4-7-13 18 (12) 765- MISS FORTER NOSE 459 D Corprove 4-7-13 J Michaley (7) —
19 (8) 0-05 CLASSIC DASY 30 R Spicer 3-7-11 J Booley (7) 91
30 (5) -000 VOICES IN THE SKY 18 A Newcombe 5-7-11 J Fonds (5) —

BURKERLED PIRST TIME: Brighton: 3 40 Last Spir. 4 40 Music Mistress Haydock Park: 2 00 Joint Venture, 3 00 High Premium, Northigham: 4.20 Coctor Green 4 50 Ei Don, Nad's Contessa, Operaing Range Portefract: 7 10 Hambitoch, 7 35 Exit To Ro Towcester: 6.50 Born To Please, 8.20 Icky's Five

BRIGHTON

2.10 Clara Bliss. 2.40 Soviet Bride. 3.10 Smilin N Wishin. 3.40 College Night. 4.10 Apollo Red. 4.40 Mystique Smile. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.40 Gentle Irony.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

THUNDERER

7 OF 12 PREMIRES HARVEST 37 (CO.F.G) 6 Williams 8-12-7 C. Bonner (3) C. Bonner (3) B. 2UP4 PAT ALASKA 8 (F.S) Mes C. Walas 13-12-7 Makes C. Walas (7) 10 1412 TOUCH DF WINTER 18P (F.G) J Ponter 18-12-7 . T. Lacey (7) 11 P/P6 BABIL 7 (F.G.S) Mrs. C. Hicks 11-12-3 P. Hicks (7) 12 PP4 EPILENY 27P (F) Mess P Whattle 12-12-3 G. Bartont-Saunt (7) 13 4054 (CNYS FIVE SP (B.F.G) Makes T Hangood 12-17-3 R. Lawsther (7) 2-1 Hermes Harvest, 11-2 Touch Of Winter, 6-1 Beau Dandy 7-1 Clare Man. 6-1 Annockurtichs, 9-1 Furry Knowe, 10-1 Dubrt, 12-1 others 2.10 VICTORIA GARDENS SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O £2,070 5! 213yd) (6 runners) 1 55 BUT WAY 24 C Narray 8-11 ... M Tabbuts 4
1 0 RORS REVENES 11 M Ryan 8-11 ... 6 R McCabe (3) 2
3 86 C LARA BUSES 27 8 Netwan 9-6 ... B Doyle 8
4 5552 ODMT FORSET 5-100M 13 J Moore 8-6 ... J F Egan 3
5 00 DOZEN ROSES 46 T Lones 8-6 ... A Whelen (3) 5
5 50 SUMMER FISCUTIO 13 6 firmula Days 8-6 ... S Whetworth 1 6-4 But Why, 7-4 Summer Risetto, 5-2 Don't Forget Shoke, 20-1 Aons Revo 25-1 Clara Birss, 33-1 Dozen Roses

> 2.40 GRAND PARADE LIMITED STAKES (2.3,U10: 107 31 196yd] (6)
>
> 1 4051 PRINCE DANCIG 15 (CD.F.G) O Marray Sorth 5-9-12
>
> 2 1307 NADLATI 10J (3.0,6) 6 Gardeito 7-9-8 JP 2016 3 14-9 RSSN6 DOUGH 58 (C.F) 6 L More 4-9-5 S Whitevorth 3 - 2-23 SOMET BROE 8 (C.F.) 6 L More 4-9-5 A DBy (5) 4 5 1 SEATTLE SABA 186 (D.6) 6 Loder 3-8-7 6 R MICCODE (3) 1 6 36-3 ARCADY 24 P Wiskyn 3-8-2
>
> 3-1 Arcady 7-2 Prace Darcey, 4-1 Neight, 9-7 Roung Dough, Sevint Bride 8-1 Secritic Sage (£3,016: 1m 3l 196yd) (6)

3.10 OLD STEINE MAIDEN STAKES (£3,596: 1m 3t 196yd) (6)

7-1 Smith N Wishan, 3-1 Chocosale lea, 7-2 Feet Bold, 4-1 Decen Dures, 7-1 Happy Tarpan, 33-1 Selements

3.40 A R GENNIS BOOKMAKERS MAY FILLIES HANGICAP (E3,098: 71 214yd) (12)

1 10-0 SWEET PAN/OVA 13 (F) P.C. Gule 410-0 ... DOUBTFUL 9
2 09-0 RUPAN/A 11 (F) C Murray 4-9-4 ... M Tobboti 11
3 1132 MY GALLERY 10 (6.5) A Baker 5-3 ... 0 Whight 83) 7
4 0066 SEMTLE FROMY 4 (D.F.G.S) M Frem 4-9-3 ... 8 Doyle 12
5 30-0 MISS LUGHTER 22 (CD.F) J Hills 44-13 ... 8 Doyle 16
5 0229 COULEGE MODIT 15 (BP) C DWyer 4-8-13 ... 8 Downer 63 6
7 0-26 AGURI TOGETHER 22 61 Moore 3-8-10 ... S Writworth 63 6
0-00 PICEON HOLE 14 R Harmon 3-8-10 ... Dane O'Thield (3) 1
9 30-0 LIST STR 128 (B) J Junior 4-8-9 ... A Daty (5) 0
10 0000 TUTAL RACH 15 (B) (2.5) R Ingram 4-9-9 G R McCaber (3) 10
11 5132 PEOPLE DIRECT 15 (D.S) K McCabrid 3-8 ... J F Egan 3
12 5-542 ETRICACOUS 31 C Bross and 3-7-12 ... A McGione 5 8-1 College Nears, 9-2 People Dreet, 5-1 Gestie Irons, 11-2 Again Together 6-thy College, 7-1 Pigeon Hole, 8-1 Efficacious, 18-1 others.

4.10 DOME HANDICAP (£3,098: 51 213yd) (9) 3-1 Apollo Red. 7-2 Yax New Way, 5-1 April. 11-2 Dancing Heart, 13-2 Sharp limp. 7-1 Rendom, 10-1 Liets Present, 12-1 others

4.40 BRIGHTON CENTRE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,125: 5l 59yd) (B)

7-4 Lady Caroline Lamb, 5-2 Solo Symphony, 11-4 Dancing Jack, 5-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRANSPRS: C Bereisad. 5 witners here 13 numers, 38 5%, D Lodes, 3 from 9 33.3%; P Chapple-Hyam, 3 from 12, 25 0%, D Minray-Sneth, 3 from 13, 23.1%; R Flower, 5 from 22, 22 7%; B Meetern, 14 from 77, 18 2%. JOCKEYS. A Daty. 4 witners from 27 ndes. 14 8%; J Raid, 20 hom 138, 14,5%, 9 Dayle, 11 from 81, 13 6%, Dane D'Neift, 4 from 36, 11 1%; S Witheorth. 9 from 86, 10,5%; A Witelan, 4 hom 38, 10 5%

HAYDOCK PARK

THUNDERER

2.00 Future Prospect 2.30 Maites 3.00 Tatika

3.30 Benatom 4.30 Ninotchka

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,6,5) (Mrs 0 Robinson) 8 Hall 9-10-0 . 8 West (4) 88 tenouths in latest race! Going on which horse has went (f — firm, good to firm, hard G — good to Sint, beavil) Owner in brackets. Iraner Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Preste Handhapper's saling

ORAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

VU	PARKS	SIDE MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES	
1771		FUTURE PROSPECT (C Buckley) M Johnston 8-9 J Weaver	-
m	990	MAGEC BLUE 18 (6 Johnson) R Hoffmshead 8-9 L Dettori	77
(3)		OUT OF SIGHT (D After) 8 McMahon 8-9 G Carter	-
(B)		BRUTAL FANTASY (P Santi) N Tinkler 8-6 K Darley	-
	2422	JOINT VENTURE 15 (B.BF) (Mrs B Bell) B Meetan 8-6 Pat Eddery	97
			97
		BALLYMOTE (Manny Bernstein (Racing) Ltd; J Berry 8-3 J Carroll	_
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BETTRIG. 7-2 Arbeegari, 4-1 Jourt Veniure, 5-1 Osomental, 6-1 Future Prospect, 7-1 Ballymole, 8-1 other 1985: BEAUTIFUL BALLAD 7-12 A McBlore (4-5 lay) 8 Hills 12 ran

FORM FOCUS RITURE PROSPECT (loaled Apr 27 cost 15 000mps) Hall-hoother by Mayu to useful frish parents 51 sames 91 Caracagon, dam 61-to winner MAGRE BLUE 55a1 60 of 7 to The 6ay For in made nover course and distance (good to solt) JOHN VENTURE short-head 2nd of 4 to Wart For Rocke in made at 8 brighton 151 594, firmt DSOMENTAL 456 4th to Express Git in conditionarcace at Ayr (54, good to soil) HIGH SPIRITS 2.41

2.30 SPINAL INJURIES ASSOCIATION APPRENTICES HANDICAP

(3-1	-U: Z	3,111:0	or) (to runners)	
201	[3]	224200	MONTRESTAR 16 (F) (J Pugh) P Evens 9-7 Angela Gallimore (3)	95
200	19)	254-040	WARJORGE ROSE 18 (Linkscan Ltd) A Bailey 9-5	90 887
203	(B)	8-12011	MATEAMA 22 (B.D.G.S) (A4's Z Brant) S Bouring 9-3 G Millioan	B
204	(13)	06-6	FARIDA SECONDA 29 (Mass H Mortaith) J Spearing 9-2 S Righton (5)	87
205	[12)		BOFFY 41 (CD,6) (S Baugh) 0 Baugh 8-13 P Roberts	95
206	(14)	400-414	LIMERICK PRINCESS 14 (D.6) (T Doherty) J Berry 0-12 Joanne Webster (5)	98
207	(2)	320-040	SHARP MONTY 45 (R Leah) R Hollanshead 8-11 M Humphries	88
208	(5)		LAPU-LAPU 25 (Mrs S Carracho) M Carracho 8-8	86
209	(7)	P500-03	PATHAZE 18 (F) (N Warmer) N Bycroft 8-6 Jo Hunnam (3)	89
210	(15)	4000-06	DOUG'S FOLLY 18 (B.F.) (Throne Lodge Stud) M W Easterby 8-3 G Parign	97
211	[4]		MADAM ZANDO 18 (T Jones) J Balding 8-0 Martin Dwyer	92
212	161		MESS OFFSET 4 (B,D,E,S) (Hertland Otisel Ltd) M Johnston 8-0 K Shed (5)	92
213	[11]		RINYTHMIC BALL 18 (Newt) and Co (Jd) T Watson 7-12 C Adamson	97
214	(1)		TAUREAN FIRE 10 (The Miles Apart Phrs.) Mrs M Reveley 7-11 P Doe (5)	88
215	(10)	45000-0	MAYSIMP 24 (Mrs. J Christies) B Bauch 7-10	82
218	(10)	D00-	BABYSHOO2 339 (M Paver) M British 7-10 J Bramhill (5)	-
Long	hande	atr Meyson	op 7-8. Babyzinosz 7-8	

BETTING; 4-1 Malbatrua, 5-1 Madam Zando, 8-1 Montrestar, Lunenck Princess, 10-1 Fanda Seconda, Pathaze Doug's Fully, 12-1 others 1995 SHOWERY 9-0 C Teague (4-1 tax) J Watts 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

MONTRESTAR bed recent cfort, 11/41 2nd of 16 to Autorias Melody in handram at Ripon [6], good), MARJORIE ROSE about [14] 4th of 10 to Splicing in maden at Instingtent [5], good) on peraltimate start. MARTEANNA bent Genesich head in 8-timer handram at Hamilton [5], betwyl, JAMENDIC PRIN-CESS best Splicing 11/41 in 7-timer handram at Wohertnammen (AM, 50 on peraltimate start with

MRS OFFSET (15th befor of) 114 (3rd, MADAM ZANDO 344 (2nd of 17 to Desert Lyre in handisap at Newcastle (61, good) with PATHAZE (5th better of) 31 3rd, DOUGE'S FOLLY (6th better of) 44 5th and RHYTHANG BALL (8th befor of) 544 (0th TALUREAN FIRE whom 744 (5th of 18 to Highspeed

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: INFAMOUS (3.30 Haydock Park) Next best: Band On The Run (3.00 Haydock Park)

3.00 GREENALLS PROPERTY HANDICAP (£5,542: 1m 30yd) (11 runners)

301 (6) 00-6636 BAND ON THE RUN 9 (C.D.F.C.S.) (D.Allen) 3 (Actabon 9-10-0. . L. Detton 91 301 (6) 00-6636 BAND ON THE RUN 9 (C.D.F.G.S.) (D Allers) 3 ktd. Status 9-10-0. L. Detton 91
302 19) 5-65-300 BARRAROLA 17 (D.G.S.) (Asropusa as bloostely 1 Fibraria 5-3-8 Pat Eodery 91
303 111 013-340 SHIMEROLLA 34 (D.F.G.) (Das A Green) C Parker 3-3-5 J. Carma 90
304 (2) 130-060 UP NR RAMES 30 (C.D.F.G.) (M Kidnel) M Harmana 5-8-11 W Carson 90
305 (4) 05-6001 ReVERANO THICOURS 81 (D.G.S.) (Short Univer 6.1 A Buley 5-5-10 A Barry 92
306 (8) 3220-04 NORDIG BREEZE 13 (B.F.) (M Jones) A Batery 4-8-9 Pand Eottery 91
307 (111 03-310 TARKA 17 (D.G.) (6) Wropp) 6 Wropp) 6-5-7 A Guilman (7) (E)
309 (7) 045343 6 FACTOR 41 (S) (H Coiled) 0 Haydin Jones 4-8-3 A Guilman 95
310 (3) 302-502 BOLLIN FROM, 13 (CD.F.) (Sar Not) Westbrobby 7 Eacterly 4-8-0 L Charmock 98
BETTING: 7-2 Band On The Run, 5-1 High Premium, 7-1 Bollan Frank, 8-1 Up in Hames Reversind Truckness.

1985: UP IN FLAMES 4-8-5 J Carmil (10-1) M Harmond 11 cm

1995: UP IN FLAMES 4-8-5 J Carroll (10-1) M Hammond 11 ran FORM FOCUS

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Rugby close to a vote for anarchy

By David Hands, Rugby correspondent

ONE way or another, English rugby should know where it stands after today. If it does not, those that run the sport will have fudged the issue or the leading clubs in the country will have cut themselves free from the Rugby Football Union (RFU) and set sail into an uncertain future.

The birth of professional rugby union in England has been far more difficult than anywhere else in the world, but a compromise is still within reach. Today the 61strong RFU committee will hear, at the Hilton Hotel. London, presen-tations by the English Professional Rugby Union Clubs (Epruc) and by the union's own negotiating team, led by Cliff Brittle. They will have a chance to question both sides.

This afternoon they will vote on heads of agreement between the two sides and, at that stage, the rugby public, which has been confused, exasperated and saddened by the disagreements of the past four months, will know whether the RFU and its leading clubs can go forward together or whether a second great schism - echoing that of 1895 when the Rugby League was born - is at hand.

The issue that divides them is. essenbally, one of control; of the management of the additional finance that the clubs need to function as professional organ-isations. Depending on the club. between £750.000 and £1.5 million may be needed every year figures not consistent with the appeal of club rugby in England.

The fundamental basis of the sport having changed, the RFU committee must decide whether the clubs most affected are justified in demanding a degree of autonomy. a situation that exists in all the provincial unions of the southern hemisphere. The 61 members of the committee (businessmen, lawyers and farmers, representing the counces, the Services and Oxbridge) will be told by Bill Bishop. the RFU president, that the time for talking is over and that a damaging dispute must be resolved.

The extent of that damage is obvious. Neither the union, burdened by debt, nor the clubs can draw up budgets with any certainty for a season that is only three

Any business seeking to invest in rugby — and that includes the RFU's main backers — has built-in

escape clauses should the game be unable to deliver its premier producis. Thus, firms such as Courage, Pilkington and Save and Prosper. respectively supporters of the league, the cup and Twickenham internationals, will reconsider their positions if there is a

Likewise the clubs, if they believe themselves forced to go it alone, must be sure they can take others with them - clubs from other countries, broadcasters and sponsors - to help fund a parallel game that they are not equipped to run themselves. Unless we can reach a compromise deal with the RFU, based on what they hear from us at the meeting, then it is hard to see which further avenues can be explored," Donald Kerr, the Epruc

chairman, said yesterday. Kerr, who, with Peter Wheeler, of Leicester, has been the principal spokesman for the clubs, said that he does not seek control of the game. "All we are trying to do is get the professional game off the ground for the whole of English rugby," he said.

The alternative to compromise is too appalling to contemplate. Gerry Sugrue, the chairman of Coventry, who won promotion to the second division last season, said that he was baffled by the absence of relevant information from both the RFU and Epruc. "We have been given no good reason for leaving the RFU," he said. "It would have to be a compelling and all-powerful reason for us to do so."

According to Vernon Pugh, the chairman of the International Rug-by Football Board (IRFB), clubs would be left prey to television interests or to entrepreneurs such as Ross Turnbull, the Australian, and the rift in northern-hemisphere rugby could take five years to heal. "We couldn't deal with two unions from one country and any breakaway group would be outside the regulations of the governing body," Pugh said.

"I doubt if the other unions would sanction games against a breakaway [England] XV. Despite the differences we in the home unions have with the RFU over television, I can't see a situation arising where we would abandon them. Our need in the IRFB has been to build on the elevated profile of rugby worldwide. A strong England is central to that."



Beard, right, with the women bowls players who moved to a new home in protest at their treatment at the Cyphers club

Male bias triggers petticoat rebellion

ne of England's most prominent bowls clubs, the Cyphers in Beckenham, Kent has been the setting for a petticoat rebellion, as 29 of the club's 31 women members have resigned in protest and moved out after what Jill Beard, their president, calls, "male chauvinism at its

worst". "The men refused to consider our request for equal rights, declined to give us the vote, and threatened to take control over the day-to-day running of the women's section, which was formed in 1957," Beard said yesterday. They wanted to vet all applications for membership, and take charge of all monies as soon as we received

The idea of applying for full membership rights was mooted as long ago as December 1994, but, despite a petition signed by all but two of the club's women members. a proposal put to the September 1995 annual meeting by Beard's husband, Ron, then the club treasurer, was not even put to the vote. Things came to a head when. David Rhys Jones finds bitter 'suffragette'

women bowlers on march to happier green

after almost 12 months wrangling, Beard was dismissed from membership on November 13, 1995, but no reasons were given for her expulsion, and she continued defiantly in her role as president. Beard, who believes she was

dismissed entirely because of her involvement in the women's bid for equal rights, added, "in the end, the men's complaints hinged on a trivial conversation I had with the club's male president, Mike Heppell, as long ago as May,

The Cyphers Suffragettes, as the women call themselves, were so incensed at the men's behaviour that they were ready to chain themselves to the railings. They took legal advice and were glad to find they had a strong case.

"Our solicitor informed us that the club constitution actually gives us equal rights, and that I certainly could not be dismissed on a whim,

without any reasons being given."

Mrs Beard said. "Last month, our solicitor invited the club to give me leave to appeal, but, before we had a reply, we had heard of a bowling green at a club just a mile away which was not being used, and had taken our destiny into our nwn hands." Virtually all of the women mem-

bers marched out of Cyphers and down the road to the Livesey Memorial Hall, where the home dub was disbanded two years ago when it was believed that Sainsbury's were going to build a supermarket on the site. The hall is a listed huilding, however, and was spared, along with the bowling green and other sports facilities. The people who run the sports and social club were delighted when we asked them if we could

move in." Mrs Beard said. Heppell said vesterday: They walked out basically. They wouldn't conform to the constiturion of the club. It's fairly sad, but in one way it's done us a favour.

I predict that the club will be revitalised, because many of them made a zero input, and we'll be looking to recruit some women with a more positive attitude. Some of them were charming, but there are others we won't miss! It was a personality thing. They didn't go about it the right way. I'm not against full membership status for the ladies, and we will probably bring it in next year. But I wish they'd bring the books back.

usbands of many of the women at the New Livesey Bowling Club remain at Cyphers, where there seems to be a split between the men who are sympathetic towards the women, and those who are not. "We are determined to make

New Livesey a proper mixed club," Mrs Beard insists."At present, we are all women, but we are hoping to recruit male members, and are even prepared to give them full voting rights."

Auckland thrills to Super 12

THE tournament that has kickstarted the era of professional rugby union in the southern hemisphere reaches its climax in Auckland tomorrow when the final of the Super 12 is played between Auckland Blues and Natal (David Hands writes). Testimony to its instant appeal was demonstrated earlier this week when, within 24 hours, all 44,000 tickets for Eden Park were sold.

Whatever teething problems pro-fessionalism may have created down under, the playing of the game has not been one of them. Several internationals - Sean Fitzpatrick, just reappointed as the New Zealand captain for the com-ing season and John Eales, of Australia, among them - have agreed that the Super 12 has moved the sport forward significantly.

"I think we'd be naive if we sat back and thought we'd done every-thing right," Riaan Oberholzer, the chief executive of Sanzar (South Africa, New Zealand and Australia Rughy, the group formed last year to run international and provincial competitions), said. "But the competition has grabbed the interest of people, it revived the interest of our ex-supporters and it also tapped

into the rugby league market."

AUCKLAND: A Cashmore, J Lonu, E Clarke, J Ngauemo, J Viridi, C Spencer, J Tonu'u. C Dowd, S Fizzpatrick, O Brown, M Jornes, R Brooke, C Rechelmann, A Blower, J Strong, R Brooke, C Rechelmann, A Blower, J Strong, R Mark, C van der Westhusen; H Honfoell, K Putt, O le Roux, J Allen, A Garvey, W ven Heerden, S Atherion, M Androws, W Pywe, G Teschmann.

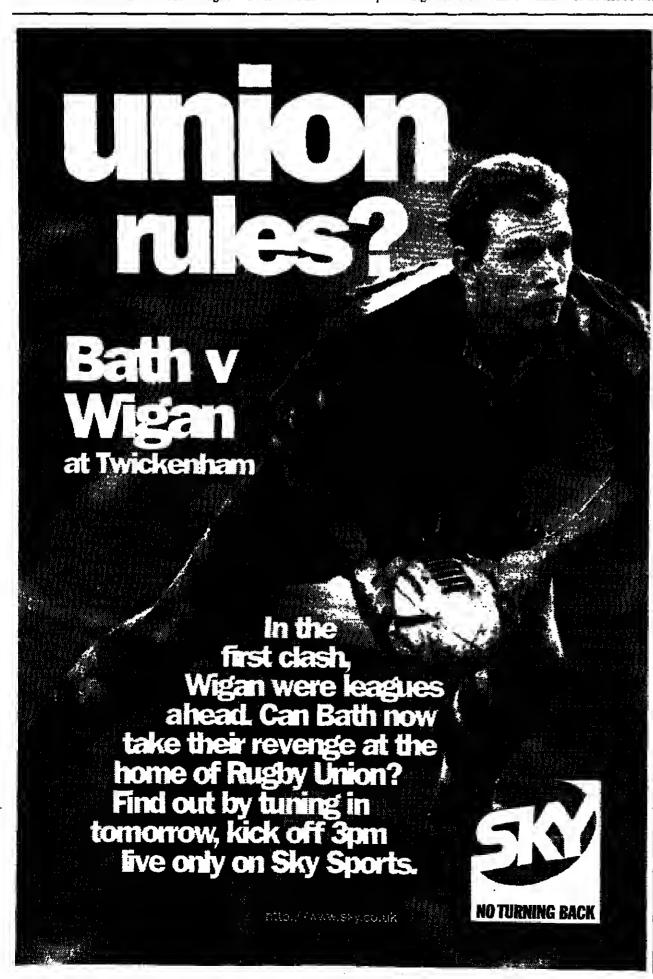
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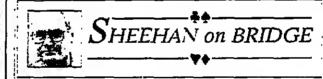
Hockey: There are three changes in the Great Britain team to play Germany at Milton Keynes on Sunday, Giles, Hazlitt and Lee replace Fordham, Hoskin and the injured Laslett, who is also ruled out of the Teddington team that begins its campaign in the B division of the European club championship in Prague today. Championship in: Fragine today.

GREAT BRITAIN SOLIAD: S Mason (Reeding); O Luckes (Sast Grinshed), J Wyatt [Reeding); J Heta (Oki Leughtontens), Soma Singh (Southgate), S hazite (Hounston and Army), J Lee (Oki Leughtonians), Kabir "Takher (Carriock), R Thompson (Hounston, captain), N Thompson (Oki Leughtonians), C Mayor (Carriock), P McGuire (Teddington), R Garcia (Polo Club, Bercelons), J Shaw (Southgate), C Glide (Hevant),

Hayles reprimand

Cycling: Rob Hayles, on the short list for the Olympic Games in Atlanta and a triple British road and track champion, has been severely reprimanded for a breach of regulations, when riding in the centre of a dual carriageway, when winning the national 10 miles timetrial championship last Sunday, but will keep his title.





BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

When your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with one of a suit, it is extremely unlikely that you would want to play in that - if you do hold a hand with a good long suit which is opened in front of you, it is usually best to pass for the ome being and enter the auction on the next round when you have a better idea of what is going on. So it is efficient to play a simple overcall in the opener's suit as artificial: the bid is called a cue-bid. There is a great deal of difference in treatment of cue-bids between the rubber bridge table and the tournament world.

In rubber bridge circles, a cue-bid shows an extremely strong hand, either a one-suiter or a two-suiter; it is forcing to game, (With a three-suited hand short in the suit opened, it is always correct to start with a take-out double). Some examples of such a cue-bid over a One Heart opening would be:

★AKJ10274 ♠AKJ10a AK5 ♦ AK 532 - Aa

In both cases, there are plenty of yarboroughs opposite that would make game a good proposition. With Hand (i), the final denomination will atmost certainly be spades; even if partner can contribute nothing at all, Four Spades will depend on the queen of trumps dropping doubleton. However, it would be a mistake to bid Four Spades straightaway as this might lead to a mistake to bid Four Spades straightaway as this might lead to a mistake to bid Four Spades straightaway as this might lead to a missed slam. With Hand (ii), the final denomination is less certain, spades or diamonds being a strong possibility. Although this hand cannot count tricks in quite the same way as Hand (1), its potential is greater — facing five small cards in spades or diamonds and a doubleton in the other, slam would be a good proposition. The secret of responding to strong cue-bids is to keep the bidding low to give partner a chance to describe his

Such strong hands are very rare, so, to make more frequent use of the cue-bid, tournament players use them to show much weaker two-suiters. Common is the "Michaels cue-bid"; a cuebid of a minor opened by right-hand opponent shows both majors, and a cue-bid of a major-suit opening shows the other major and an unspecified minor. This allows a descriptive entry into the auction with a hand that has good distribution, for either constructive or sacrificial purposes. The minimum strength for such a cue-bid varies with the vulnerability. Consider the following hands after a One Heart opening:

★KJ1065 ¥ & **♦ KQ 104** a

♦AKJ78 ♦KQJ65

Hand (iii) is a good example of a non-vulnerable Michaels cuebid, whereas vulnerable a hand more of the strength of (iv) would be necessary. Next week, I will discuss take-out doubles. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

LEGATO a. A Byzantine chamberlain

b. Smoothly c. Grilled calf's liver

MOOCHER a. A blackberry-picker b. A handkerchief

LANGUET

a. A freshwater decapod b. A chain breastplate c. A little tongue MHORR

a. A Gaelic slogan b. A standing stone

Answers on page 46



Og3 Bc3 Bxe5 Kb1 Ka1

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Boris Gelfand demonstrated

an excellent method against the Grunfeld Defence to defeat Vassily Ivanchuk, Gelfand's

23, Neb was particularly line,

and equally impressive his delayed capture of sacrificed knight.

White: Boris Gelfand

BY RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Joint lead

After two rounds of the powerful international tournament in Seville, the lead is shared by Boris Gelfand, the Belorussian grandmaster, and grandmaster Viswanathan Anand, from India, the unsuc-

world championship title last Both players have 12 points. The average ratings of the competitors in Seville comes to an extraordinary level of 2,715.

cessful challenger for the PCA

In the second round, Anand and Kasparov fought a desperate and exciting duel that ended in a draw by perpetual check after Kasparov sacrificed his queen.

White: Viswanathan Anand Black: Garry Kasparov Seville, May 1996

Sicilian Defence

e4 Nf3 d4 Nxd4 Nc3 Be3 g4 Nf5 Of3 0-0-0 exf5 Nxe4 Cxe4+

Black: Vassily Ivanchuk Seville, May 1996 Grunfeld Defence 5 cod5 6 e4 7 bc3 8 Rb1 9 Be2 10 cod4 11 Bd2 12 0-0 13 Be5 14 Bb5 15 Bc4 17 Bc2 17 Bb5 18 Rb5 19 Ng6 21 Rb2 22 Rb2 22 Ne6 24 Od5 25 Rb1 27 Rc1 28 Rb1 27 Rc1 28 Rb1 27 Rc1 28 Rb2 23 Ne6 24 Od5 25 Rb1 27 Rc1 28 Rb3 31 Bc3 31 Bc3 31 Cd5 33 Rb1 33 Rb2 33 Rb2 33 Rb2 34 Cd5 35 Rb1 37 Rb2 38 Rb3 38 Rb3

SECOND ROUND: Topelov drew with Krammik Gelfand by wanchule Anend drew with Kasperov, Shirov bu-

CI Raymond Keene writes on chess

Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Fiorito— Tempone. Mar del Plata, 1996. The black knight one is a fine blockading piece and is also preventing White from invading along the seventh rank with Rc7. How did White deal with this troublesome piece?



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THE TIMES FRIDAY MAY 24 1996 Audi Sport

To give our competitors a sporting chance, we've been asked to put on a bit of extra weight.

Oh dear. It appears that the well-earned victories for the Audi A4 quattros in this year's Auto Trader RAC British Touring Car Championship have been eating away at certain members of the motor racing fraternity. To the extent that we've just had yet another 30kg weight handicap slapped on us. Will it spoil our appatite for success? Fat chance.

Vorsprung durch Technik



SIMON WILDE

At the Oval

'He got

laughs for

the wrong

reasons'

f Alistair Brown had appeared on a one-wheeled bike, wearing a silly hat and a red nose, and thrown custard pies at the umpires, he would scarcely have struck a more ridiculous figure than he did yesterday.

Without any hint of firstnight nerves, he went through with the routine that he had been given — and he got the laughs all right — but, in true slapstick tradition, for mostly the wrong reasons. For Ally Brown, read Coco the Clown.

It was not all his fault. Brown is unfortunate to be a big-hitting opening batsman play-ing at a time when England think that that is precisely what they need to the fielding restric-

tions now governing limited-overs internationals. These are dangerous days to be labelled a one-day player, as Brown

Although he struck some fine blows yesterday, too few of them cleared the inner ring of fieldsmen and that was exactly what he was in the team for. That is not to say that he did not try. He did; but, by the seventh over, he had scored only 13 and was clearly feeling the pressure. He attempted to hoick Srinath over mid-wicket, but the ball was of full length and Brown could only skew it crazily over the slips, where it landed safely

out of the retreating Tendulkar's reach. Soon after, he tried something similar. again against Srinath, and was clattered on the helmet.

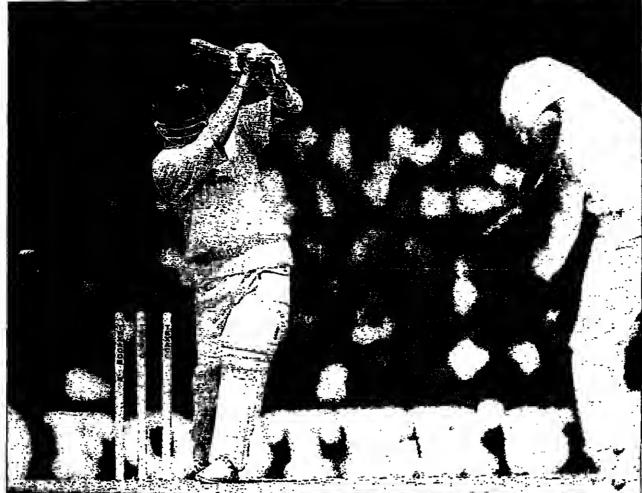
He was having more success with Prasad, to whom he stepped down the pitch and pulled to the square-leg boundary. Two overs later, he tried, with less subtlety. to repeat the trick. The drums were rolling as he danced down the pitch ... Prasad saw him coming and dropped the ball short ... Brown fell over

trying to make wicketkeeper shied at the stumps ... and Brown was left to scramble in the dirt in order to make his ground. All that was missing was a clash of the cymbals.

After 15 overs, when the fielding restrictions were relaxed, Brown had scored only 29, not quite what England had been looking for. When he was out, four overs later, having missed a straight ball from Mhambrey, he had scored just 37 from 52 balls.

It would be unfair to state on the evidence of one match that Brown does not have the technique to play cricket for England. More pertinent would be to ask whether England's tactics yesterday were the right ones.

This Oval pitch had far more bounce and carry than those on which Brown bat-



Brown's richly comic routine is ended on 37 as he misses a straight ball from Mhambrey and is clean bowled

tered county attacks to all parts of Kennington during the Benson and Hedges Cup earlier this month. Srinath and Prasad were a handful even for Atherton, who was trying to cope at the other end by altogether more orthodox means.

The point is that, whatever the conditions, England have

Smith. He is primarily an offover this pinch-hitting busispin bowler who can afford to fail as a batsman. When he ness. The teams that are good at it do not employ players like Brown. They send in first joined Brown after Atherton's players who have other strings dismissal, he looked far more comfortable about flinging the to their bow (Jayasuriya, of Sri Lanka, is an all-rounder) or bar than his partner; and, their most fluent player (Mark although he failed coming in at No 3. Kumble, 100, was a safe gamble for India. It is Tendulkar, for India). really time that England gave this particular torch to Hick. England would do bener to

Of course. Brown should have been out to his second ball yesterday, but cruel, outrageous luck - of which Brown was given more than a pinch - dictated that Rathore would drop the chance that he was presented with at second

Brown was obliged to stay and end up with custard pie on

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Glamorgan v Worcs ASERGAVENNY (first day of four, "Lacestershire won toss) Glamorgan have scored 148 for five wickets ageinst

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WORCESTERSHIRE: T.S. Curtis, W.P.C. Wescen, R.K. Spirrig, Y.M. Moody, O.A. (asahardale, 15.) Ritides, S.R. Lampiti, P.J. Newport, R.K. Mingworth, A. Shenyer, M. Rawnstey,

Borus points. Glamorgan 0 Worcester-shire 2

Gloucestershire v Surrey GLOUCESTER (first day of four: Gloucester-chire won foss): Goucestershire have scored 223 for four wickets against Surray GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

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M A Lynch rus out
T H C Hanbook not out
A Sympactic of Reserve b M P Biolineal
M W Alleyne not out
Extra (b 1 w 2 nb 22)

4-199. SCAVENG M P Bicknet 21-4-74-1, Julian 22-5-61-2, Hollocke 4-1-14-0; Benjamin 7-1-2-28-0 Pearson 7-1-25-0.

SURREY: D.J. Bodonell, M. A. Buncher, J. O. Sackfile, "A.J. Hollocake, Nadeom Shahid, O. M. Ward, B. P. Julian, 1G. J. Kersey, M. P. Bodonell, P. M. Pearson, J. E. Bergamin Bonus points. Gloudestershire 1 Surrey 1. Umpres: H O Brd and T E Jesty.

Kent v Yorkshire CANTERBURY (List day at four. Yorkshire won toss) Yorkshire have scored 201 for live wintets agains! Kent

P.J. Hantiey, A.G. Whart, R.O. Stemp and C.E.W. Silverstood to ball. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-68, 3-196, KENT: O P Fulton, M V Flemma, TR Ward, C L Hooper, G R Cowdey, N J Llong, "1S A Marsh J B O Thompson, M J McCague M M

Bonus points Kent 2 Yorkshire 2 Umpres: R Paimer and A Clarkson. Somerset v Northants

TAUNTON (first day of four; Someise) won loss) Normaniphonshire have scored 62 for two wickers against Somerset NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings R A Montgomene c Rose b Caddick
A Fordham c-Tumer b State
R J Bailey not out
B Loye not out
Exces (nb 4)

SOMERSET: M N Lathwell, P O Bowler. *A N Hayhurst, M E Trescothick, P C L Holloway, S Lee, 1R J Tumer, G O Rose, J D Batty, A R Caddlick, K J Shine.

Warwicks v Leics EDGBASTON (liest day of four: Locasti shire won toss): Warnindishive have score 60 for no wickels against Laicestershipe:

WARWICKSHIRE: First Irmings J Moles not out O P Ostler, 7 L Pennsy, "O A Reevs. S N Politock. O R Brown, †K.J Piper, G Welch, A l Giles and G C Smell to bist.

BOWLING, Milins, 7-1-25-0; Mullally 6-1-27-0; Parsons 2-0-6-0 LEICESTERSHIRE: V J Welts, O L Maddy, S F Smith. P V Sentmorts, "J J Whitaker, A Habbt, 19 A Nbon, G J Parsons, O J Milins, A R K Pierson, A O Muttally Umpires: G I Burgess and O R Shopherd.

University match

Oxford Univ v Notts THE PARKS (first day of three; Oxford University won toss). Oxford University have scored 178 for three wickets against Notinghamshire

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Total (S wids)

M E O Jerreal. R Thompson, P Dupriz, 1D P
Mether, C G R Lighthoot and J J Bull to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-66, 3-164,
BOMAINIS: Bowen 10-4-18-1, Chapman 13-1-50-1; Evens. 8.3-0-38-1, Broadhurst 7-0BOD-C Hendson 3-1-7-0; Alizael 1-0-3-0
NOTTING-HAMSHIRE: J R Witeman, M P
Dowman, "P Johnson, N A Gie, J E Hindson,
IL N P Water, IZ Azzal, K P Evens, M N
Bowen, R J Chapman, M Broadhurst,
Umpires B Leadbeater and J F Steele

Hussain and Robinson give Essex time to regroup

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

DERBY (first day of four: Essex won toss): Essex hove mode 225 for three ogainst BEFORE the rain arrived at

tea-time, there was some good cricket at the Racecourse Ground. The pitch was less green than some seen here and, after struggling early on, Robinson and Hussain batted well on it. Malcolm bowled well, too, showing that, whatever Raymond Illingworth thunks of him, he has not lost his self-respect.

Malcolm ended the day with only one wicket, though his opening spell might have earned two more. It was a good wicket to get. Gooch, who had begun the morning with two thumping boundaries, was bowled as he tried to drive a ball of good length. For a while, Robinson and Hussain had to find shelter.

Hussain needed 17 overs to reach double figures and his first two boundaries came off the edge. Slowly, he and Robinson found their feet in a passage of play that held interest for being competitive. Had Harris bowled straighter, the batsmen would not have survived the morning.

Robinson, missed at slip by Adams on 37, was first to 50 and blossomed in the early afternoon sun. He had played some attractive strokes when Jones, bringing himself on to bowl the gentlest of off spin, ended a stand of 158 before immediately making way for Base. It takes some believing that Base is still with the county. He made one appearance last summer and is playing here only because Cork and DeFreitas are unavailable. Just before tea, Law battered him for four bound-

aries in an over.

Hussain had gone by then for 81. leg-before to Harris, whose afternoon performance must have encouraged his captain. He jagged the ball around off the pitch and was eventually rewarded for his persistence when he struck

Hussain on the back leg. Hussain batted with maturity and sound judgment. They are qualities that should serve him well this summer, and not just for Essex.

Total (3 wkts. 73 overs

A P Graymon, tR J Rollins, M C Bort, N S Williams, P M Such and A P Cowan to bez. Williams, P. M. Such and A. P. Cowari to bes. FALL OF WICKETS; 1-21, 2-179, 3-179. BOWLING: Melcolin 18-2-80-1; Hanis 18-6-44-1; Bess 19-4-79-0; Addred 7-1-29-0; Wells 10-2-12-0; Jones 1-1-0-1. DERBYSHIFIE: K. J. Barnett, A. S. Rollins, C. J. Adarris, "O. M. Jones, J. E. Owen, C. M. Wells, K. M. Kridden, S. J. Bess, P. Addred, A. J. Harris, D. E. Malcolin. Bonus points: Derbyshire 1 Essex 1. Umpires: J O Bond and K J Lyons.

Hampshire | unhinged by Brown's incursion

persist with promoting Neil

BY JACK BAILEY

PORTSMOUTH: (first day of four, Hompshire won toss) Hampshire have scored 192 for nine wickets ogainst

INVADING the den of the

Warwickshire bear at Edgbaston and emerging clutching the spoils is one thing. Taking on a Durham team that is bungry for any kind of Hampshire found this out at the United Services ground yesterday, when they lost their first three wickets to Simon Brown inside five overs for nine runs and, despite fighting innings from Adrian Aymes and Cardigan Connor, still have some way to go before regaining their equilibrium.

It was a toss that John Stepbenson, the Hampshire captain, might have hoped to lose. There is invariably pace and movement in the Portsmouth wicket early on. Equally, genuine application on the part of the batsmen is usually rewarded in spades.

While Durham, Brown especially, bowled quite well, it cannot be said that Hampshire's early order were in a resolute frame of mind. Not until Kevan James settled in briefly did resistance enter the equation. Not until Aymes and Connor joined in a part-nership of 54 for the ninth wicket did bat dominate ball.

Connor made 42 of these. Durham bowled short and Connor revelled in it. Fifty overs were lost to rain, but it remains Durham's day, although not quite as firmly as it had begun.

Then. Brown found the edge against Stephenson's forward push with his second ball and struck again with his sixth as Laney tried to guide him down the leg-side. When Brown brought one back to have Morris leg-before he had taken three for 2 in 14 balls and Hampshire were hanging on by their fingertips.

Betts bustled in and the promising James holed out at mid-wicket and Whitaker topedged Wood to reward him in his first over for a year in the championship. Haphazard strokes both, but it took a blinding catch at cover to see off Connor and Aymes remained defiant to the end. HAMPSHIRE: First Imnings

K O James c Blenkron b Betts . P R Whitaker c Morris b Wood . G W White b Wood C A Connor c Bolling b Brown ______.

S M Milburn not cut _____.

Estras (b 1, w 5, nb 20) Total (9 wids, 54.3 overs) 192
FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-1, 3-8, 4-27, 5-64, 6-70, 7-91, 8-111, 9-165. DUPHAM: "M A Roseberry, S L Campbell, JE Marris, OA Blenkiron, P Baintandos, P O Collingwood, 1C W Scott, J Wood, J Boiling, S J E Brown, M M Betts. Bonus points: Hampshire 0 Durham 4.

Umpires: J W Holder and K E Paimer.

J P Stephenson c Scott b Brown J S Leney c Scott b Brown R B M Monts low b Brown

Wells in hurry to make up lost time

four: Middlesex won toss): Sussex have scored 216 for three wickers against

ALAN WELLS put Sussex's inauspicious start to the season behind him and did his best to make up for lost time before the rain returned to take another sizeable chunk out of a match that had already been reduced to an old-fashioned three-day

ed when he put Sussex in.

Unfortunately for Gatting, all but Fraser bowled too many loose balls and Wells took full advantage of them. Having given Athey 18 overs and 20 runs start, he was first to his 50, which included nine fours, and he had struck another seven when he hooked Follert into the hands

of Nash at long leg. Athey is 38 now and realised that his eyesight was deteriorating towards the end of last season. He could not get on with contact lenses but speciatrick and he had reached 70 in 63 overs when the rain set in.

SUSSEX: Fee: Persons res (57, w 1, rib 121 Total (3 wkts, 62.3 overs)

bat
FALL OF WICKETS* 1-6, 2-67, 3-209
SOMLING: Fraser 16 3-5-29-0; Howiti 11-3-43-1; Nash 10-1-44-1; Foller 17-5-67-1, Turnel 7-22-49; Weedess 1-0-2-0.
MIDDLESEX: P N Weeless, J C Pooley, M R Ramprakash, "M W Gatang, J D Carr, 1ft R Brown, JP Howin, A R C Fraser, O Foller, O J Nash, P C R Turnel Bonus points Sussen, ? Micdesex 1 Umpares. B Dudieston and B J Meyer.

YESTERDAY'S RACING RESULTS

Goodwood

Going; soft 2.10 (6) 1, Naked Poser (Dane O'Neil, 4-1); 2. Natata Bay (13-8 tay), 3. Wait For Roste (5-1), 5 ran. NR: Reumon, Hd, 11 R Hamnon, Tote £4.90, £1,60, £1.30 DF; £3.40, CSF; £10,23

E10.23 2.40 (Im st) 1, Taipan (I. Delton, 7-2 taw; 2, Barton Hill Boy (10-1); 3, Royal Schnitzr (11-2) 9 csn. NR Challeam Island, 3l, hd. J Durlop, Tate: E4 10; 51 70, E4 10, E1 60 DF E27 50 CSF E32.93, Tricast: £165 42 Dr 127 30 Car 10245, Transc 1100 4 121; 2; 2avalb (14-1); 3, Stoppes Brow (20-1); Countepens Dance 7-2 fav 11 ran NR, Edon, Jo Manuelle, 24, 1741 T Neuphion, 702 (13-90; E2-40, C3-40, C3-40, C4-90, DF-287 80 CSF (140-74, Tricest (2),047 77. 287 B0 CSF: £140.74, Tricest: £3,047.77, 3,40 ; Im 2ft 1, Captain Horstian (T Dumn, 4-1), 2, Wipara (4-1); 3, Leer White (1905-30), Fahal 11-4 fav. 8 fan. NR. Macthrent, Marsdinga, Midnight Legend, Missella, 254, 191, J Dumlop, Tose: £4.30; £2.20, £1.90, DF: £9.10, CSF: £17.89, 4,10 (8) 1, Ortolan (Dane O'Nell, 15-6 fax); 2, Lonce Edwards (13-2), 3, Red Time (20-1), 10 ran, NR: Beeny, Sh. Ind, 194, R. Harmon, Tose: £2.40; £2.10, £1.90, £3.80, DF: £8.80 CSF: £13.09, 45.51 (Im 10.1), North Space & Detton, 13-8, 45.51 (Im 10.1), North Space & Detton, 13-8.

CSF: £13.09.
4.45 (1m 1f) 1, North Song (L Detton, 13-8 fay), 2, Ta Awun (9-2); 3, Drametic Moment (12-1) 7 ten, NR: Realms Of Glory, Rocky Casis, 2-9, 81 JGosden 7 dra, £2.40; £1.50, £2.10 DR: 98.40 CSF: 94.61.

Jackpot: £10,574,80 (0,30 winning ticket pool of £10,425,86 carried forward 1 haydock Park today).

oot £161.80. Newcastle

Going: good, good to tim in places 2.25 (1m 21 32yd) 1, Sasuru (Paul Eddery, 15-8 lay), 2, Ouestonia (5-2); 3, Alternus (7-1) 14 ran. 14, St. G Wragg, Tote: E3 40; E1 40, C1.50, E2 10 DF: E5.10, CSF: E7 63. 2.55 (61) 1, Helio Dolly (Paul Eddery, 3-1), 2, Going For Broke (10-1); 3, Silver Ray (50-1), Fortay Evens Iau, 6 ran, 31, 21 K Burke, Totas E4.40, C; 1:0, E2.40, E8.30 DF; E17.90 CSF; E28.91.

228.91,
3.25 (fm 4f 93yd) 1, Pine Noedle (8 Thomson, 9-2); 2, Festiag (9-2); 3, Spartan Heartheat (6-1), Sadicr's Realm 2-1 fav, 8 nn. Ne, nk. 0 Montey 7 ote: 64,50; 27-40, 61-40, 62-10 DP: 65:50 CSF; 624.71, 7ncast; 6114.38,
3.55 (5h) 1, Hula Prince (J Westver, 5-6 fav); 2, Young Bigwig (4-1); 3, Seeskie (8-1), 8 nn. Sh hd, 11, M Juhrsston, 70e; 61:60; 61:20, 64:90, DF: 64-60, CSF; 65-19.

AZS (1m) I, Winston (5 Drowns, 7-2 law; 2, Russan Rascal (5-1); 3, Sandalaster (1)-2; A. Dubal College (14-1), 18 ran. M, 194, J Bethell, Yore: D4 80; £1.50, £1.60, £1.80, £2.70 OF: £12.60 CSF, £22.93, 7riesst. £95.93,

ESS. Sq. (59.1, Captain Cerat (K Fallon, 11-2); 2, Metal Boys (20-1); 3, Feetherstone Larer (14-1) Plum First 5-1 law, 15 ran, 2, sh hd Mrs. J Rameden, Tole: £4.90; £1.90, £6.00, £4.20. DF: £81.90. CSF £101.33 7maset £1.391.56.

Placepot, £90.90.

Wednesday's late results

Salisbury

Going: soft 6.15 (6) 1, Witching Hour (T was, 13-2), 2, Conspracy (11-4 km), 3, Green Jawel (6-1), 14 ren. NFI Nessenna. 41, 11, Mrs. J Cect. Tote: 58.90; 53.30, 62.50, 52.50, DF: 517.60, CSF: 596, 18 28.00; C3 30, 22.50, 22.50, DF C17.60. CSF: 256.18
6.45 (1m 40 1, Glow Forum (Dene C'Neal, 9-2 tw/; 2, Kristal Breeze (10-1); 3, World Express (12-1); 4, Steining Fellow (14-1), 19 ren. NR; Woodbands Erescy, 51, 41, L. Hall. Toler £4.90, £1.50, £2.50, £1.90, £4.20 DF £55.00. CSF, £50.27. Tricast; £483.05
7.15 [6] 21.2yd 1, Polinter (alt. L. lettord, 10-1); 2, Armaps (2-2) (Hall, 2, Shapires Domon (14-1); 4, Flying Permant (3-1); 10-8) Yes, 52, £4.00, £3.00 DF; 24.770 CSF; £53.27. Tricast; £611.42, 7.45; (1m 2) 1, Deedtine Time (M Hills, 7-4); 2, Sandy Floss (13-6); 3, Royal Diversion (9-3) 5 ran. St. 24 Mr M Reseley, 7-ote: £2.60; £1.50. E1.50. DF; £1.50. E1.50. E1 2.15 (Si 212)d) 1, Stip Jig (R Hughes, 6.4 late); 2, Double Mench (33-1); 3, Pinne Light (2-1); 13 ran, NR: Soverolyns Courl, Hd, 41 R Hannon, Tote; (3.50; £7.80, £3.30, £1.30 DF: 264 80 CSF, £47.86

DF: DM 80 USF: 167.00 845 (58) 1, Fright Dommain (S Drownie, 20-1), 2. Friendly Barue (S-1); 3, Astral hwader (20-1) Gone Savage 2-1 lav. 10-an 24/3 2 J Spearing Tote: £18.50; £4.80, £1.50, £4.90, DF: £22.20 CSF. £109.50. Tincast. £1.912.18 Placepot: £174.50. Quadpot: £18.00.

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By PAT GIBSON HORSHAM (second day of

in a third-wicket partnership of 152 with Bill Athey, whose well-honed technique, now augmented by a glinting pair of spectacles, had denied Mike Gatting the rewards he expect-

There was movement off the seam for all four Middlesex seamers. Fraser bowled well but without luck, Hewitt had Hall caught at first slip in his second over and Nash, though looking far from fit in his first championship match of the season, claimed Speight caught behind.

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Glamorgan struggle to cope with Newport

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

PHIL NEWPORTS return after injury yesterday brought a muchneeded cutting edge to the Worces-tershire attack at Abergavenny where, for once, batsmen did not bave things their own way on a ground that has seen some notable

Glamorgan had to struggle to reach 148 for five on a rainshortened day, grateful to Mark Butcher, 21, for an innings of 73, and the fact that he was missed twice. Newport ended with four for 49 and removed Butcher with the final ball of the day. Nick Trainor, 20, from Durham,

made an impressive debut for Gloucestershire, taking 67 off the weakened Surrey attack as he outscored the experienced Tony Wright in a first-wicket stand of III on the King's School ground,

Andy Moles, playing his first championship match for Warwickshire since last June, helped Nick Knight to put on 60 in the 15 overs possible against Leicestershire at Edgbaston.

At Canterbury, where there was almost a full day's play. Yorkshire reached 261 for five against kent. David Byas (44), the Yorkshire captain, and Michael Bevan [80]. his deputy, added 128 for the third wicket while Nick Preston, the Kent seamer, marked his home championship debut by taking three for 42

Gul Khan, of Oxford University, twice dismissed in the nineties this season, resumed his search for a maiden first-class century by scoring an unbeaten 72 against Nottinghamshire in the Parks.

Vialli bows out with the ultimate prize

By ROB HUGHES, POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT had won the European Cup at the dreadful cost of the lives of 39

spectators. This time the victory,

albeit on penalties, was pure, and

in the piazzas of Rome the celebra-tions flowed more permanently than the waters of the Trevi

fountain. In one of the better

European finals, tactics and power had won the day. Marcello Lippi, a

man who had come through the

ranks of coaching lesser clubs on

one-year contracts, had now mas-

terminded the removal of the cup

from Aiax, the team and the club of

the decade. He did it by committing

three players to anack - Vialli, the

equally athletic and emotional

Fabrizio Ravanelli, and the young Allesandro Del Piero who, between the heavyweights, is subtlety and speed refined.

That trio pulled out of joint the Ajax formation on which Terry Venables is redefining England. Ajax like to defend with only three

at the back; you cannot do that

ONLY in Italy, where football is close to the ultimate expression of joy and despair, can men weep over something allegedly as trivial as a football match. In Turin in 1990, it was Paul Gascoigne. In the Olympic stadium in Rome this week, it was Gianluca Vialli, his head shaven like a monk, crying to the point of convulsion.

Vialli had led Juventus to European Cup victory over the boys of Ajax. He is expected at 3pm today to commit the next two years of his playing career to Chelsea, but now this man of phenomenal football appetite was simply unable to shake off the conviction that. whatever he takes to London, it will be unlikely to come close to the ultimate moment that he shared with a public viewing in 196 countries.

Chelsea come into consideration because that is the prevalent view. Vialli, 32, still maintains that there may be a surprise, still says that 3pm this afternoon will be his first and final declaration about the choice between Rangers, Chelsea and some even say a cluh in the German Bundesliga, after 12 years in Italy's Serie A.

High in the stands on Wednes-day night, Gianni Agnelli, the great patron of Juventus, reflected the joy of the men in the field. He has spent seven decades of a rich life craving this one trophy, pour-ing his family fortune into the business of buying and selling footballers, wanting, he once said, to achieve the highest prize and to let his own imagination run rife in players who could bring grandeur to the sport of the Italians. Juventus, beating Liverpool in the Heysel Stadium 11 years ago,

when the opponents attack on three fronts, and critically this obliged Frank De Boer, starting the match with an injured ankle, to be drawn into an Ajax back four. The impetus of the team was surren-dered all across the field and, despite all that has been written about the youth system of the Amsterdam club, it was a home-grown product of Juventus, Moreno Torricelli, the right back, whose constant driving from the back became the revelation of the night.

Ajax had 59 per cent of the possession, but Juventus out-shot them by 23 attempts at goal to 11, The sight for English and Scottish eyes was of Ajax, with eight of the Holland team who meet England and then Scotland in the European championship, with their heads down, their bodies racked, their necks adorned with losers' medals. Italy, built around six Juventus players, will instead take the conviction of champions into the June tournament.

Juventus and Ajax took £9 million each in prize-money and television fees alone from the competition; they also keep gate receipts from II games, and Juventus have just signed a new kit sponsorship worth £17 million for four years, plus a £6 million twoyear deal with Sony. Perhaps, at the eleventh hour, there may be sufficient in the kitty for Juventus to make Vialli an offer that he cannot refuse. He would, of course, have to share attacking duties not only with those present but with Alen Boksic, from Crostia, who, on European Cup final day, signed a contract to replace Vialli. The questions will be resolved at 3pm



Steve McManaman watches as Li Bing, of China, flies to the rescue in Peking yesterday. England won 3-0. Report, page 48

Injury puts Muster's Paris place in doubt

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

PREDICTING finalists in grand slam tennis tournaments can be a tricky business, with a fortnight for favourites to slip up before the big day, but Thomas Muster, from Austria, was as near a certainty to contest the French Open title as made no difference — until yester-day, when he hobbled off court at the Raiffeisen grand prix event in St Polten, Austria. Suddenly, even Muster's participation in Paris next week was in doubt.

Muster, the French Open champion, suffered an injury to his right ankle during a practice session with Javier Sanchez, of Spain, and was taken to a hospital with a suspected torn ligament. He will learn today whether, at best, he will be fit again in four days, or. at worst, will miss the championship. He is the world's leading clay-court player but the No 2 seed in Paris.

Pete Sampras, the world No I and top seed at the French Open, is also injured, but he said yesterday that he hopes to be fit in time for the off at Roland Garros on Monday. Sampras has a back injury, but said: "If the French Open had started yesterday. I wouldn't have been able to play, but it is nothing serious. I am very optimistic."

Sampras is short of clay-court practice, having pulled out of the Italian Open last week because he did not feel ready to play after the death of Tim Gullickson, his coach. and having withdrawn from the World Team Cup in Düsseldorf this week with his back problem.

The French Open lost one women's seed yesterday. Chanda Rubin, of the United States, the No 7, withdrew with a foot injury.

RILEY'S HAVEN'T GOT THAT STUFF YET, WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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OXFORD EIGHTS FOR THE RECORD

ORIEL and Osler-Green rowed over unchallenged at the head of the men's and women's top divisions on the second day of Oxford University Summer Eights.

In the men's sixth division, Magdalen III achieved the rare distinction of a double overbump, making up a total

of 114 lengths.

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HONG KONG: Uber Cup: Sern-finals: China 5 Denmark 0 (China names first: te Zhaoying bi C Martin 11-8, 11-3, Ge Fei and Gu Jum bi H Kirkagaand and R Oksen 17-14, 15-3, Wang Chen bi A Sondiergaard 11-0, 11-8; On Yiyuan and Tang Yorigshu bi L Oksen and Alongerisen 15-6, 15-15, Zhing Ning bi M Pedersen 11-6, 11-2, Indonesia, 4 South Korea 1 (Indonesia names first) S susantitibi Bang Soo Hyun 11-7, 11-0, E and Z Restana bi Gi Young Ah and Jang Hye Ock, 15-3, 17-16, M Addina bi Kim Ji Hyun 11-6, 11-12, 11-4; Finarshi and L Tampi bi Kim Shin Young and kim Mee Hyang (10-15, 15-6, 15-7; Y Serrioso lost to Re Kyung Min 4-11, 4-11).

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EDINBURGH, Women's doubles Cup: Cuprier-finelis: M McGrath (LIS) and L Netland (Lat) bi J Hetherington (Carr) and K Radford (Aus) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; N Avendt (US)

MADRID: Women's tournament: Second round: L Richterovs (C2) bt C Mertnez (Sp) 6-2, 6-3. Quarter-finates A Sanchez, Vicano (Sp) bt A Coetes (SA) 6-2, 6-3. M Seles (LIS) w/o/ Sprites (Rom) sor; Novotna (C2) bt L Richterovs (C3) 6-2, 7-5. M Maleeve (Bull) bt B Schultz-McCarthy (Holl) 6-2, 6-3. (But ib B Schultz-McCarthy (Hoth 6-2, 6-3
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TODAY'S FIXTURES

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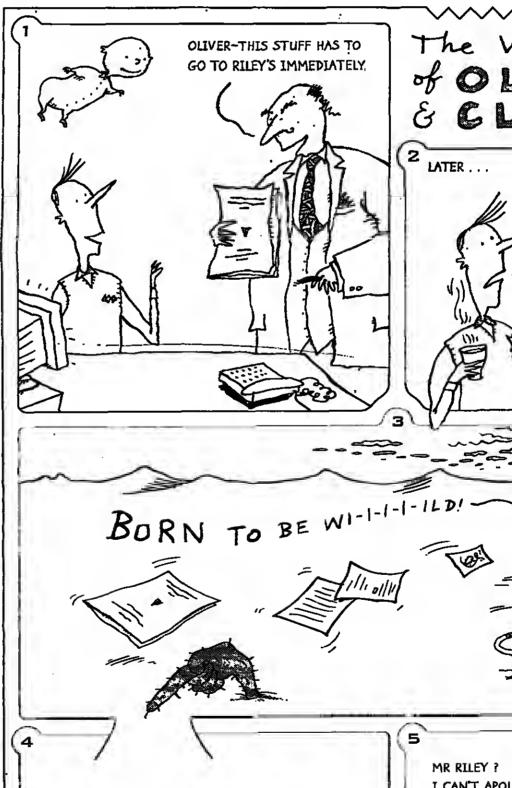
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FOOTBALL Touton under-21 England v Belgium (at Mayol Stadium, Toulon, 6 0)

OTHER SPORT EQUESTRIANISM: Windsor Horse Traks (Windsor Great Park) (Mindsof state 7 and 7 a

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HOCKEY: Women's International: Eng-land v Argentine (at Lifeshalt 3 30).
TENNIS: World women's doubles Cup (Craiglochtart Sports Centre, Edinburgh)



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fish cafes. Indian restaurants, Land steak houses; you went out knowing what you were going to eat. Haute cuisine was followed by nouvelle cuisine, then came cuisines minceur, flambé, and pouf, and all one knew was that it would be expensive. Ego-trip establishments followed: Albert and Nico and Michel. Pierre and Marco, Alistair and Gary; you knew who was going to come and kiss your guests between

'Welcome. Now there are theme restaurants: you'll have hang the food, feel the ambiance is the a brill time' premise on which

they operate. It is a style of catering described by an American friend as "sizzle without steak". There is a fashion cafe, one that attracts its clientele with cine-matic memorabilia and others yet that work on football, cricket and golf nostalgia. What they have in common is that they are good places in which to entertain people to whom you have little to say.

Babe Ruth, in Wapping, is a newish arrival among theme restaurants, and as a fan of Mr Ruth - who was a baseball star, a "Gazza" of a

liked the days when there were man before it became fashionable to combine sporting brilliance with simplistic extrovert behaviour - 1 went to see how they perpetuate the memory of such an icon. Ruth played in ten World Series between the wars. scored 714 home runs. earned \$80,000 a year, while around him folk were asking buddies to spare them a dime: Ruth left much of his money to children's charities.

The place is large and modernistic. A young woman opened the door, remained in the doorway, and I waited for her to leave. She said: "Come in. Welcome to Babe Ruth. You'll have a brill time." I squeezed

past her. A small basketball court is situated just inside the entrance, and a fair-haired Amazon was throwing the ball into the hoop with some skill; a near-naked child ran in and out and received the occasional hug: could have been mother and son. or emancipated baby sitter and charge. Smoking or no smoking?"

No smoking, I said, and was sai next to a table of four who puffed at their cigarettes with fervour. The and noise and lights and pictures



from film screens and television screens and taped music and waitresses asking breathless questions "How is your food?. Fantastic, that's great", while their clients sat bemused. The restaurant was cold, which might have been welcoming on a hot night.

The menu arrived via an American waitress, who said: "This is the menu. have a wonderful evening, can I get you a drink?." At the bottom of the glossy bill of fare was written: "All our sodas are served in huge 22ounce glasses". Perhaps rival places use small 22-ounce glasses.

I asked for a cold beer, sent it back, got a colder beer, "Sure, no trouble, have a terrific day." The prices were high and seemed especially high because, on the previous evening. I had gone to the Thai Bistro in Chiswick High Road, and had two excellent starters, two small jugs of sake and a bottle of Thai lager, two main courses with an egg fried rice and a dish of good noodles for £19.80. Here, cheeseburgers were about

£10, relishes had to be asked for and

cost extra, salad was boring, and puddings came at £3.99 up to a chocolate waffle banana sundae at £6.99. On the walls and hanging from the ceiling were the impedimenta of many

sports: stuffed base ball players in New York Mets shirts, hang gliders, surf boards, caps, bats

On the television screen above my table, a man in light blue shorts was boxing one wearing dark blue who did the Ali shuffle and goaded his opponent in the manner of the great man . . . until light blue knocked him out. No sound came from the set, and this was followed by Barry McGuigan summing up - not everyone's favourite entertainment, soundless summing up.

room is the kitchen, which is huge and shining, and one sees people doing things, like chopping and arranging food on plates.

On the screen above my table, now saw a boxer with Wilfredo embroidered across the seat of his shorts fighting an amazingly even bout like pugilistic muzak, could have gone on for ever without doing anyone much harm until Wilfredo,

around the time I got a very much better cheeseburger for the one I had sent back, caught his opponent with a fierce left hook. The damage done to the victim's face was uncondu-

cive to confronting a £5.99 strawberry sludge cake with frosted coconut cream and sliced nuts. The waitress, a frustrated Judy Garland, told me that she was now taking away my plate, and it had been fabulous, right ... and what

could she get me now, another drink, OK?...Bill, I said.
"Right." said she, removing the tomato ketchup bottle from my table. I'll take this away for you, and I'll be

'Atmosphere

is loaded

with noise'

Noodles, tiles and Hawking

Ballad of the Sad Cafes. Radio 4 (FM), 10,00am.

Food for thought and thought for food are twin strands in Menna Bonsels's report on a northeast London cafe populated by expatriates from South-East Asia, mainly Vietnamese. Noodle soup is consumed in vast quantities there, and occidental gournness will be delighted to hear that traditional dishes featuring dog mear have been replaced by variations on the theme of pork. Much time is spent slapping down malt-jong tiles, and there are also inter-generational tensions. The young, largely westernised, resent the wagging fingers of their parents and grandparents and patronise another, more youthful, café. Food for thought? One customer is translaring Stephen Hawking's A Brief History of Time for his fellow customers. Food for thought and thought for food are twin strands in Menna

A Handful of Dust. Radio 4, 2.00pm.

It may be nit-picking, but I think that it needs saying. In all other respects, Sally Avens's production of Evelyn Waugh's darkish satire accurately recreates the sophisticated savagery of high society in 1920s England. A flat could be had in London for three pounds a week, and families living in posh houses could keep 15 servants, and she popular songs of the Twenties that bind together the unusually short scenes in Bill Matthews's adaptation were precisely those we hear this afternoon; but I will need some convincing that, when women exchanged pecks in the Twenties, they made that stugid "Mwah!" sound of the Nineties.

Peter Davalle

RADIO 1 FM Stereo. 4.00em Clive Warren 6.30 Chris Evans 0.00 Smon Mayo 12.00 Lisa l'Anson, incl et 12.30-12.45pm Newsbeet 2.00 Nicky Campbel 4.00 Mark Goodier, incl at 5.30-5.45 Newsbeet 7.00 Essential Selec-tion 10.00 One in the Jungle 1.00em Radio 1 Rap Show 3.00 Annie Nichtingale

RADIO 2

FM Stareo. 6.00am Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Welte Up to Wogen 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Anne Robinson 1.30 Debbie Thrower 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 Frances Edmonds 7.00 Meestro 7.30 Frides Night is Music Night 8.45 The Thirty-Nine Steps (3/10) 9.30 Listen to the Band 10.00 Festival Folies 12.05am

RADIO 5 LIVE

S.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breaktast Programme Incl 6.55, 7.55 Racing preview 8.35 The Magazine Incl Video Review and News from Europe 12.00 Midday with Mair Incl 12.35pm Moneycheck 1.15 Entertainment News 2.05 Ruscoe on Five Incl 3.45 Entertainment News 4.00 Nabonwide, Incl 5.45 Entertainment News 7.00 Naws Extra Incl at 7.20 Fridery Sport, Rugby League Bradford Bulls v Leeds; Footbell England Under-12 v Belgium In Toulon, Golf-Day one of the PGA Championship from Wentworth 9.35 Sports Shop, with Wentworth 9.35 Sports Shop, with Adrian Goldberg 10.05 Paper Talk, with Brian Alexander and Phil Murphy 11.00 Night Extra 12.05am After Hours 2.05 Up All Night, with Richard Dallyn

TALK RADIO

6,30am Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chrs-10.00 Mike Allen 1.00am

All times in BST. 5.00em News 5.30 Europe Today 5.45 Folk Routes 6.00 Newsday 6.30 Europe Today 6.45 Words and Music 6.50 Inelder's Guide World 8:00 News 7.15 World Today 7:30 Blues World 8:00 News 8:15 Off the Sheff 8:30 About Face 9:00 News in German 9:15 Music Review 9:45 Soundbyle 10:00 News 10:05 Business 10:15 Focus on News 10.05 Business 10.15 Focus on Feath 10.45 Sport 11.00 News 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Oil the Shell 12.00 News 12.30pm Maridian 1.00 News in German 1.15 British Yoday 1.30 Sci-ence in Action 2.00 Newshour 3.00 News 3.05 Outlook 3.30 Autilitrack 4.00 News 4.05 Sport 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News 4.05 Sport 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News 4.05 Sport 5.05 Europe Today 5.30 Business 6.45 British Today 6.00 5.30 Business 5.45 Britain Today 6.00 News 6.10 World Today 6.25 Spotlight 6.30 News in German 7.00 News 7.30 Focus on Faith 8.00 News 9.00 News 9.01 Outlook 9.25 Words of Fath 9.30 Multitrack 10.00 News 10.05 Business 10.15 Britain Today 10.30 People and Politics 11.00 Newsdesk 11.30 New Europe 11.45 Spotl 12.00 Newsdesk 12.10 Spotlight 12.15 Insider's Guide 12.25 Book Choice 12.30 Multitrack 1.00 Newsdesk 1.30 Seven Days 1.45 Britain Today 2.00 Newsday 2.30 Outlook 2.55 Words of Faith 3.00 Newsday 3.30 Meridien 4.00 News 4.15 Spotl 4.30 Virtage Chart Show

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4.00mm Mark Griffths 6.00 Mike Read 9,00 Henry Kelly 12,00 Susannah Simons 2,00pm Concerto 3,00 Jame Crick 6,00 Classic Newsnight 6,30 Sonata 7,00 Showcase 8,00 Evening Concert 10,00 Michael Mappin 1,00em Through the Night

VIRGIN RADIO

6.00am Russ 'n' Jono 9.00 Richard Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Nicky Home 7.30 Paul Coyte 10.00

RADIO 3

6.00am On Air, introduced by Pentry Gore, Bax (Romantic Oventure); Hummel (Septet in C, Op 114, Septet militaire); Verd! (Overture The Force of Destiny); Honegger (Concerto de camera); Vivald! (Concerto in C, Op 8 No 12); Turina (Serenate Oo 87)

Paul Gambaccini. Rimsky Korsakov (Capriccio espagnole: New Philharmonia Orchestra under Leopoid Stokowski); Brahms (Clarinet Quintet in B minor Op 115: Harold Wright, clarinet)

Festival. Artist of the Week: Roger Vignoles, pieno. Rachmaninov (Ne ver mne, drug); 10.05 Beethoven (Variations on a theme from Judas Maccabaeus); Talis (Spam in alium); Tippett (Plano concerto); Bloch (From Jewish Life); Britten (Cantick No 2, Abraham and Isaac);

Moza, Abdatain and Isaaci,
Marais, arr Gendron [La
Folia]: Gorauger (Je bols];
Vian (La Cinématographe)
12.00 Composer of the Weetc
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Daniel, obos; Julius Drake,
piano, Sairt-Saéris (Oboe
Sonata in D, Op 166);
Spearing (A Welsh Bestiary);
Hinderniffi (Oboe Sonata)
2.00 Schoola: Let's Make a Story
2.15 Music Box 2.30 Dance
Workshop 2.50 Poetry Corner
3.00 Mitning the Archive. Stephen
Plaistow reviews the career of
the Russian paints. Emit
Gilels who died in 1984
5.00 The Music Machine, with
Tommy Pearson

Hockley, a Felixstowe Ferry

colleague, whose form has

improved appreciably this

year. She beat Rebecca Hud-

son, from Wheatley, by 2 and 1 in the second round. Four

down with five to play. Hud-

son won the 14th and 15th with

birdies and took the next with

a par three before Hockley

recovered to dispatch her at

the 17th. Hockley's impressive

golf, she says, is a tribute to the teaching skills of Johnny

Johnson, the professional at

an Ipswich driving range. Elaine Ratcliffe, standing

proudly at the top of the draw in recognition of her victory in

the strokeplay stage, had two

handsome wins, by 5 and 4, agains Kay Baxter, of Moortown, in the morning.

and Joanne Oliver, a plus-

three player from Knebworth.

after lunch. Ratcliffe, a Stir-ling University graduate, is

used to playing in high winds.

5.15 in Tune, includes Gershwin, art Kostal (Promenade, Shall We Dance?); Hofst (A Somerist Rinapody); Vivaldi (Violin Concerto in Giminor, Op 8 No 2, Summer, The Fork Seasons) Four Seasons)
7.30 Bath Festival. The opening

orchestral concert of this year's Bath Festival, the first of four to be broadcast on Radio 3. Bournemouth Sinfoniatta under Nicolae Moldoveanu, Haydri (Symphony No 103 in E flat, Drumroll); Gruber (Zeitstimmung); Mozart (Hom concerto No 2 in E flat); Weili -

concerto No 2 In E flat); Wi (Symphony No 2) 9.30 Jelly Mountain. With Ivor Cutler 9.45 More Jelly. Musical reflections by Jelly Roll Morton 10.00 Hear and Now. Includes Michael Gandolfi (Design School): Livenita Spieur (O

Michael Gandorii (Design - School); Luminita Spinu (Of Tears and Saints); Keren Markham (The Wheel Has Turned); Ronald Ford (Inferno I, 32); 11.30 WEB The electronic sound sculpture commissioned by the IREC commissioned by the BBC from BEAST

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Composer of the Week: Clara Schumann. Walter; Three Romances, Op 11; Three Parisongs (1848);
Piano Concerto in A minor (r)
1.00em Through the Night, with
Donald Maclood, includes
Schem (The Fountain of Israel) 2.10 Music for piano and strings by Schumenn 3.10 Dramatic works by Monteverdi 4.10 Ronald

Brautigan, fortepiano, performs works by Beethoven 5.00 Sequence

chairs a topical discussion in Perth, with Labour's chief whip Donald Dewar, MP:

whip Donaid Dewar, MP:
Helena Kennedy, QC;
Malcolm Rilkind, MP, Foreign
Secretary; and Adair Turner,
Director-General of the CBI
8.50 Law in Action, with Marcel
Bertins reviewing and
analysing the week's legal
issues.

9.15 Letter from America, by Alistair Cooke 9.30 Keleldoecope Feature Dawn Upshaw talks to the soprano Lyrne Waker about her singuo career in 9.59

nging career (r) 9.59

Weather

10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig

10.45 Book at Bedtitme: Next of Kim, by Joanna Trotlope. Read by Robin Eliis (10/10)

11.00 Week Ending. With Sally Grace, Toby Longworth and the team taking a sideways look at the week's news

11.25 Tea Junction. The last in the present series with Patrick

present series with Patrick Hannan and his guests taking a sceptical look at the week's

RADIO 4

5.55em Shipping Forecast (LW only) 5.00 News Briefing incl Westher 8.10 Farming Incley 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sports 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 Shelt Lives. The Disposable Nappy (r) 2.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs. Janet Holmes à Court talks to Sue Lawley (r) 9.45 Feedback, with Chris Dunkley 10.00 News; Ballad of the Sad Carlés (FM only). See Choice 10.00 An Act of Worship (LW only) 10.15 This Sceptr'd Isle (LW only) 10.30 Worsan's Hour 11.30 The Natural History Programme. Presented by Joarna Pirnock 12.00 News; You and Yours, with Chris Choi 12.25pm The Food Programme 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World At One, with Nick Clarke 1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping

1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping Forecast 2.00 News; The Classic Serial: A Handful of Dust, See Choice

3.00 News; The Afternoon Shift 4.00 News 4.05 Kalekoscope. Paul Vaughan visits an exhibition of the late works of Edgar Degas at the National

Gallery
4.45 Short Story: The Lady
Gardener By Grace Ingoldby.
Read by Gavin Muir

5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 Going Places, with David Stafford

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Pick of the Week, with Chris

Woodland investigates improbable characters with bizarre learnings. Noah Bickerdyke is attempting to revive the old country tradition of chicken racing (r) 12.00 News Incl 12.27am approx

11.45 A Likely Story, Les

Weather
12.30 The Late Book: The Stone
Diarles By Carol Shields.
Read by Shelley Thompson
[10/10] [r] 12.48 Shipping
Forecast 1.00 As World
Service

and it showed.

RESULTS: First round: E Ratchie (Sandway) bit Fisader (Moortown) 5 and 3, 3 offers (Inchburnit) bit C Blackchaw (Blackburn) et 19th; K Eglord (Burley) bit K farmswood (Wernworth) 5 and 3 5 callagher (Trontham Park) bit C Bushell (Piklown) 4 and 2, J Hell (Feinstown Ferry) bit A Morth (Broadstone) 10 and 8; K Edwards (Ingestre Park) bit G Sampson (Cledehaston) 1 hoire, R Hudson (Whestley) bit P Simpson (Harrogale) 3 and 1; J Hockey (Feinstower Ferry) bit K McKenner (Tynamouth) 1 hole, C Bushunghi 3 and 2; S Sanderson (The Berkshrey) bit K Shepherd (Morplesdon) 6 and 5; K Roston (Catherlow) 8 it K Shrift (Waterloowille) 6 and 5; L Edwards (Cathorlow) 6 and 5; C Rasson (Ormstein) bit C Wasson (Season (Dresself) bit C Wasson (Season (Porsel II) 1 hole K Stupples (Roval Circus Porse) bit K Hamiton (Catherlow) 8 in K Shepherd (Morplesdon) 6 and 5; C Rasson (Ormstein) bit C Wasson (Cotswold Hits) 5 and 4. Second round: Ractalife bit Oliver 5 and 4. Second round: Ract FRÉQUENCY GUIDE. RADIO 1. FM 97.6-99.8. RADIO 2. FM 88.0-90.2. RADIO 3. FM 90.2-92.4. RADIO 4. FM 92.4-94.8: LW 198; MW 720. RADIO 5 LIVE. MW 893. 909. WORLD SERVICE. MW 648; LW 198 (12.45-5.55am). CLASSIC FM. FM 100-102. VIRGIN RADIO. FM 105.8; MW 1197, 1215. TALK RADIO UK. MW 1053, 1089. Television and radio listings compiled by Peter Dear, Ian Hughes, Rosenmary Smith, Susan Thomson and Jame Gregory

Sour Sherry needs a little maturity to win taste of success

LIFE has become tough all of a sudden hasn't it? Perhans you thought your transition into the professional ranks would be along a path strewn with roses. But things haven't quite gone right from the moment you were turned gusta National Golf Club last month to the way you missed the cut in your first European Tour event as a professional last week. I suspect from your demeanour at The Oxfordshire last Friday that you did not enjoy the last few holes.

An 80 was not what we expected from the most heralded amateur to turn professional since Sandy Lyle and Nick Faldo 20 years ago. Eight over par was not a good score, even though two days later Nick Faldo, the Masters champion, took an 30 and lan Woosnam and Colin Montgomerie were two and four John Hopkins offers an open letter on

etiquette-with-a-smile to a talented but

disaffected player preparing for Wentworth

Here we are at Wentworth for the Volvo PGA Championship, your second European Tour event, and there is some jealous muttering that you. having failed, as yet, to win any official prize-money, have got in to the field ahead of some journeymen professionals. You have a star billing, too. You tee off at 8.00am, a time designed, no doubt, with television in mind. You are paired with David Gilford, the Ryder Cup player, and, for the second week running, Frank Nobilo, who finished fourth in

the Masters. If you are wondering what will happen next, perhaps you should bear in mind Nobilo's words. While praising your skill, Nobilo pointed out that

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· buge lorries and drive them

· • up the A1 to Durham.

ber how Greg Norman seemed envious of your carefree approach when you him before the Open. What has happened since then? From the way you banged a few clubs in frustration last week, I suspect that the pressure is getting to you - and I sensed that Bill, your father, a loyal supporter, was

kind of play."

around nervously, fretting for you as if you were in contenoon to win. Colin Montgomerie knows what you're going through and his advice is this: "Be padent and relax. My expectations were high when I turned professional, too. It's a different ball game, now. He must not get too worked up. People said that to me, of course, and still do and I get worked up saying 'How do I relax?' But I will say it nonetheless. He has

game. He should just go out Look around and learn from your peers. Take a lesson in ihoroughness from Nick Faldo as he prepared for the PGA, which he has won on four occasions. At 9.15 yesterday morning Faldo, Fanny Sunesson and David Leadbener, Faldo's coach, climbed on to the 9th tee where Faldo hit two drives under the eye of Leadbener. Faldo is all busi-

the talent. He can play the

Golf is not meant to be fair or easy and you know that. You know you are good. Play well - as we all know you can. And give us a smile. You always used to.

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Hall battled through the wind for two convincing wins in her title defence

Edwards prevents rout

IT WAS with no small relief that Kelly Edwards, a scratch golfer from Staffordshire. achieved a half yesterday at the first hole of her secondround match in the English women's championship at Silloth-on-Solway. She knew that at least she would be spared the ordeal that had befallen the luckless Alex

(b) Mosical instruction for smooth and connected, with no

breaks between the successive notes. Used as an adjective nr adverb as a direction to a performer to render a passage nr

(a) One who mooches or plays truant from school, especially in order to gather blackberries, bence a gatherer of blackberries. "What a moucher you are. David! Allays after them

(c) Anything shaped like a little tongue. From the diminutive of the French langue a tangue. Hence, the tongue of a balance, a tongue-shaped ornament, especially a drop of amber or jet, the

thing used for tying a shoe, a latchet, a narrow blade prinjecting at the end of a spade, a spatula, etc. As a verb, to chatter idly.

(c) A West African gazelle named by E.T. Bennett Gazella mhorr, having horns annulated with ten nr 12 prominent rings.

"The animal is much songht after by the Arabs on account of producing the bezoar stones so highly valued in eastern medicine"—Penny Cyclopaedia 1834.

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE . Rueo! Kueo: 2 Roo+ Kf7 (2. . . . Bd6 is possible, but will leave White with

an easy win on material after the bishop is captured): 3, e6+ wins the rook.

WORD-WATCHING

Monk, of Broadstone, in the

lost the first ien holes against Julie Hall, the holder, and suffered the golfing nightmare of a 10 and 8 defeat. For a time, it looked that

as she declined to four down after six holes. Yet, as soon as spectators left in search of a closer contest, Edwards, encouraged by some wayward play by Hall, who also holds the Briosh, Australian and Spanish championships, won four holes in a row from the Hall then took the 11th and

13th and it seemed that normal service had been resumed, but no. Edwards again struck back by holing a 15-yard chip for a birdie at the 14th. Hall then showed her pedigree with a birdie four at the 15th and a two at the 143-yard 16th, where she was on with an eight-iron,

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Of aerophobes and low-flying sky pilots

S o there is this huge group of aerophobics. And they come voluntarily to Heathrow airport, for a one-day British Airways "Fear of Flying" course. And they sit in a lecture room, weeping si-lently and clutching the upholstery, and try not to scream while a pilot cheerfully explains away their fears. For example, he says, many people have a wrong-headed idea about what happens when the wings of an aircraft detach them-selves at altitude! Such silly-billies stare out of the window at the wing, and imagine it suddenly falling off and dropping earthwards - possibly in an eccentric spiral like a sycamore seed. But in fact (big, beaming smile) an aircraft's wings are designed for uplift. So they fall upwards! They snap off, you see (crack! crack!), and then hurtle up out of sight at enormous speed! Now if that doesn't help to cure that daft irrational terror of yours, nothing ever will

Even Woody Allen, master of comie neurosis, never invented a planeload of aerophobes, fainting at the sight of a scatbelt, and yomiting into paper bags. But Airport delivered with the real thing last night (BBCI), and a lot of cornedy writers woke up this morning with a great new idea for a movie, in which the pilot comes out to mingle with his jumpy passengers, his cockpit door slams shut behind him, and he can't open it again. Amazingly, many of the aerophobes were cured by the course, which is certainly a tribute to posirive thinking. I had assumed a true phobic would require hypnosis, drugs, behavioural therapy, or prayer - not a few hours of trite reassurances they'd heard before.

Still, what rattling good enter-tainment it was. And on the whole, it was very good that the aerophobe light went without a hirch, and there was no need for an impromptu mid-flight prayer at street corners in Moscow. After

however, spiritual consolation was definitely the order of the day. Sarah in BBCl's EastEnders Iglum, kleptomaniae teenager with unanractive school uniform) is slowly succumbing to Christianity. and anended her first fellowship meeting last night, accompanied by Rubhie. It was spooky, of course. The Christians kept smiling with glassy expressions, like a room full of Tuny Blairs. |Sorry for getting emotional about Arthur the other day, incidentally. The Square is buying a memorial bench, and I'm all right now.)

But the big Christian event of the evening was on Channel 4 — and there's a sentence I 4 - and there's a sentence I never thought I'd write. Witness last night concerned the coachloads of American evangelists turning up in Russia with Bibles and declaiming "Praise the Lord!"

REVIEW



decades of suppression, the Rus-sian Orthodox Church was just adjusting its beard, clearing its throat, and straightening a few icons un the wall, and what happened? Yanks with snake-oil training spilt out of trucks, converting the heathen to happyclappy, and saying "f ler-v-e Russia!" (in English).

Russia's Holy War was full of good things. Aside from the evan-

Truss

cope with a self-styled Messiah called Vissarion (formerly a policeman) who affects biblical garb and sandals, and looks faintly reminis-cent of Neil in The Young Ones. Vissarion is at least a pleasant contrast to the hyperactive Ameri-cans: he folds his hands, lowers his voice for emphasis, and smiles way, as though he's just been struck by a beatitude. Meanwhile the Russian populace react in various ways to these assorted saviours, with their idiot smiles. "What are you bloody well grinning at?" demanded one sassy peasant in headscarf and ankleboots. "Who's paying for all this?" asked a student in St Petersburg.

This was the real question, of course. And Russia's Holy War did not address it. "This is my twentyfirst visit to Russia!" boasted the evangelists, and naturally it made

similarly robust.

Who paid for the Bibles? And why do they bring dennists? Is it an orthodontic conspiracy? Are these missionaries in the pay of floss manufacturers? When the Rev Alfred McCroskey distributed American flags to sick kiddies in hospital, it seemed unlikely that the love of Christ was the only

till, if the famous Russian soul is up for grabs, who can blame opportunists for rushspiritual fire!" announced the dapper Rev Rick Amato, stretching his pudgy arms in a tight-fitting suit. And good luck to him for finding something harmless to do with his life. Rick was a bad-boy drug addict back home, and Jesus saved him. And now, in a hilarious scene. Rick in turn was saving a Russian street-child with a loaded gun: evidently pleased at the op-

portunity to show off his qualities as missionary to the spiritually benighted. Give me the gun!" he pleaded.

"Jesus said that those who live by the gun, die by the gun!" The kid (aged about ien) was unimpressed - and not because he recognised a misquotation. He looked at the big book he was offered, and then back at the gun, as if seriously weighing up which was worth more on the open market. He kept the gun. But refusing to give up (and still performing for our benefit) Rick abandoned the New Testament, and offered money. This time the kid gladly surrendered his piece, while secretly keeping another tucked into his belt.

Well, suffer the linle children, or what? Finally, as the kid prepared to scarper, Rick gave advice directly inspired from Above: "If you ever do have to shoot anyone," he confided, peeling off notes: "remember. Shoot them in the foot."

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Blue Peter (Ceefax) (s) (6870989) 5.35 Neighbours (Ceetax) (s) (476182) 6.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (811) 6.30 Regional news magazines (163) 7.00 Wipeout, Paul Daniels hosts the game

show, (Ceefax) (s) (3095) 7.30 Tomorrow's World, Rebecca Stephens visits Limone, on Lake Garda, where the inhabitants produce a protein that breaks down cholesterol and so helps to protect them from heart disease; plus the man who has invented a hat that can double as a smokehood when he wants to Indulge in a cigarette, without polluting the air. (Ceelax) (s) (347)

8.00 Only Foots and Horses, Rodney needs to find a girlfriend in order to win a bet (r)

8.30 Big Break, Jim Davidson hosts the snooker game show in which celebrity players pot on behalf of contestants This week's experts are Joe Swail Harold and Tony Knowles. (Ceelax) [s)

9.00 News (Ceetax), regional news and

weather (2960) 9.30 999. Michael Buerk and Juliel Morris present stories of heroism and bravery. reconstructed by the emergency services and actors, and recalled by the people Involved in the original incidents (Ceetax)

10.20 FILM: Black Rain (1989) Stylish thriller. Two New York policemen are escorting a Japanese mobster to Osaka, Intending to hand him over to the police. However, when he escapes, they have to lollow him into a dark and dangerous world where Douglas, Andy Garcia and Kale Capshaw. Directed by Ridley Scott (Ceetax) (s) (103415)

12.20 FILM: Naked Tango (1991) starring Vincent D'Onotrio and Mathilda May. with Fernando Rey. Exotic thriller set in the early days of the tango in 1920s Buenos Aires, Directed by Leonard Schrader (Ceetax) (s) (6661477) 1.50am Weether (3877496)

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1.00 Shakespeare: The Animated Tales -The Tempest (Ceelax) (s) (88618) 1.30 Showcase (s) (62449182) 1.45 Words and Pictures (s) (62443637) 2.00 The Little Polar Bear (r) |41167347) 2.05 William's Wish Wellingtons (r) (s) (41166618) 2.10 Open View (41181927)

2.15 International Golf and Tennis. Steve Rider introduces the Volvo PGA Championship from Wentworth, plus tennis from Craiglockhart, Edinburgh. (Ceefax) (87434750)

6.00 Shooting Stars. Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer host the award-winning spool quiz show (I) (Ceefax) (s) (453) 6.30 The Champions. Fantasy espionage

series (Ceelax) (462502) 7.20 Watch Out. Wildrie news (s) (105163)

7.30 We Are (Not) Amused (2/2) (Ceelax) (989) 8.00 Top Gear Motorsport. In the last of the series. Mark James reports from Sumarra on the World Rally Championships; and

Tiff Needell goes TVR Tuscan racing at Silverstone (Ceelax) (s) (7057) 8.30 Gardeners' World. From the Chelsea Flower Show (Ceefax) (s) (9892)



Arresting Dawn French (9.00pm)

9.00 Nurder Most Horrid: Dying Live |Ceelaxi (s) |3142) 9.30 The High Life. Farcical comedy about

airline cabin crew (r) (Ceetax) (s) (86163) 10.00 Have I Got News for You. Angus Deayton and (an Hislop are joined by Piers Morgan, Felix Dexter and Clive Anderson (s) (46057) 10.30 Newsnight (Ceelax) [540811]

11.15 Pitot Paradise: Hi-De-Hi! The first edition of the popular cornecty series (r) 1414182)

11.55 This Life (10/11) [r] (Ceelax) (s) (675366) 12.40 FILM: The Beast with Five Fingers [1946, b/w] starring Peler Lorre, Andrea King and Robert Alda. Directed by Robert Florey (2796090) Ends at 2.10am

CHOICE

We Are (Not) Amused

Part two of Kenneth Baker's survey of royal carloons contains a revealing episode. On the night the Princess of Wales is to be interviewed on Panorama a cartoon about her is being prepared firr a national newspaper the next day. The snag is that the cartoonist has not seen the programme and by the time he has, his cartoon will be too late. His ingenuity in striking the appropriate note is impressive. Victorian cartoonists had no such problems, but their amtude towards royalty was more sycophantic. This reticence extended even to the present Queen, at least in the early part of her reign, when cartoonists rarely showed her face. Whether the recent return to the cartoon savagery of the 18th century reflects changes in royal behaviour, or a less reverential society, or both, is a nice point on which to end.

Murder Most Horrid: Dying Live BBC2, 9.00pm

Dawn French plays an abanuir worker in this (atest black comedy, but Steven Moffatt's script thankfully contains no reference to mad cow disease. His scenario is in much lighter, not to say dottier, vein. The joke is that while taking a holiday in South America, French's Daisy is mistaken for a professional executioner. Well, they are roughly in the same trade. A banana republic wants to make a public example of its leading dissident and French becomes the unlikely purveyor of the poison gas. Rather funnier than any of this is that a television company has secured the rights to carry the execution live, which gives Moffan the opportunity to have a tilt or two at television morality. Helen Lederer, Jim Carter and Stratford Johns are among the faces who overact shamelessly in French's support.

Life After Birth: Declaration of Independence Channel 4.930pm

no plans, no future and a fatherless baby" to quote the script) might not be the most sympathetic of heroiries, the Simon Block-Teresa Poland sit-com is settling in well. The derives from character rather than gags for their own sake. As single mum Alison, spiritedly played by Emma Cunniffe, learns the first steps in babycraft, she finds herself engaged in a two-pronged banle, against the Child Support Agency and her overbearing mother (Rachel Davies). The mother daughter relationship is particularly well sketched. Alison may be irresponsible, and everything else, but faced with a parent who treats her like a little girl you can only take

Baadasss TV Channel 4, 11.10pm

Prepare to be startled, diverted and perhaps affronted, as Ice-T and Andrea Oliver return for another trawl through the lighter side of black culture in Britain, the Caribbean and the United States. The flamboyant presenters, he the inventor of gangsta rap, she the singer who once had a band with Nench Cherry, guarantee that even if the contents fall flat the packaging will sparkle. Actually the line-up for the new series looks within accounting American the line-up. highly promising Among the items are reports on a black Viz-style magazine, a weekend for 500 black Britons at Butlins in kegness and on why reggae music is so big in Japan. And there is a new video game devised by an enterprising company in Derbyshire which features Baadasss meboy characters and a soundtrack of hip p and phat beats. Peter Waymark hop and phat beats.

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10.00 The Time . . . the Place (s) [6181453] 10.35 This Morning (50513347) 12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (1510618) 12.30 News and Weather (Taletext) (4265811) 12.55 Entertainment Today (s) |4240502) 12.55 Entertainment Today (s) |4240502) 12.5 Ltz Earle's Litestyle |s) |1566453) 2.00 Home and Away (Telelext) (s) (19431279) 2.25 Murder, She Wrote (s) (7704705) 3.20 News (Teletext)

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4.25 The Geeks (Teletext) (s) (5532989)
4.50 Hang On (s) (9972518)
5,10 A Country Practice (s) (9423163) 5.40 News and weather (Teletext) (992705)

8.00 Home and Away (t) (Teletext) (s) (472927) 6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (559540) 6,50 Let's Go |946347)

7.00 Lucky Numbers. Shane Richie hosts the show where contestants try to win £20,000 (Teletext)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (415)



Mark Wingett as DC Carver (8.00pm)

8.00 The Bill. When a householder kills is burglar, Carver (Mark Wingett) and Boulton (Russell Boulter) are sent to investigate (Teletext) (7811)

8.30 Expert Witness. Drama-documentary series, about the role of forensic science in solving crimes (Teletext) (3) (3618) 9.00 Soldler, Soldler: Trouble and Strife An accusation could tear the Stubbs family apart (r) (Teletext) (5927)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (66811) 10.30 HTV West News and weather (732415) 10.40 NEW International Festival of the Sea. Bob Crompton visits the

lestival in Bristol (562182) 11.10 FILM: The Raven (1963) with Vincen Price, Boris Karlott and Peter Lorre. Ove the-too Edgar Allan Poe send-up about three sorcerers who pit their magical Roper Corman [841182]

12.40 Hotel Babylon (s) (6483903) 1.20 The Good Sex Guide . . . Late (s) (2150293) 2.20 FILM: The Flying Deuces (1939, b/w) Classic Laurel and Hardy slapstic comedy. Directed by Edward Sutherland

3.30 Not Fade Away |1) (s) (74496) 4.30 International Festival of the Sea (I) (B1800) 5.00 Best of British Motor

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2.55-3.20 Gardeners' Diary (6291250) 5.10 Home and Away (9423163) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (78144) 10.45 Film: Spies Like Ua (38199601)

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(7568637) 5.10 Home and Away (9423163) 5.37 Three Minutes - Your Story (177960) 6.00-7.00 Meridian Tonight (78144) 10.30 Meridian News and Weather (756095)

10.45 The New Statesman (693786) 11.15 The LADS |623927) 11.45 Hunter (872182)

5.00am Freescreen (39903)

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1.55 Those British Faces. Dame Anna Neagle (Teletext) (39286960)

2.25 FILM: Derby Day (1952, b/w) with Anna Neagle, Michael Wilding and Google Withers. A comedy drama following eight people at Epsom on Derby Day, Directed by Herbert Wilcox (948298) 4,00 Secrets of the Moor (Teletext) [144)

4.30 Fifteen to One (Telelext) (s) (328) 5.00 Rescue (i) (Telelext) (s) (6569) 5.30 An Inspector Cells (r) (Telelext) (s) (908) 6.00 T.F.I. Friday. The guests include Julia Carling, Jack Dee and Pete Townsend

(s) (76786) 7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (152873) 7.55 Book Choice Malcolm McDowell reviews David Sherwin's Going Mad In

Hollywood (Telelext) (s) (892778) 8.00 Garden Party. A visit to Coton Manor Garden in Northampton (Telelext) (s)

8.30 Brookside. The race is on between Bev and DD to accompany Ron to Bangkok (Telelext) (s) (4960) 9.00 Cybill. Cybill is delighted that she is

going to be on her own for Thanksgiving (Telelext) (s) 15298)

9.30 CHOICE Life After Birth (Teletext) (s)

10.00 Roseanne. Roseanne's opinions make her a slar (Telelext) (s) (64453) 10.30 Rory Bremner - Who Else? Last in the



Andrea Oliver In the swing (11.10pm)

11.10 Baadasss TV. A light-hearted look at black popular culture (a) [197328) 11.40 T.F.I. Friday (r) (610569)

12.45 Flava. Videos from the comtemporary black music scene (214858)

1.20 FiLM: The Man Who Lived Twice (1936, b/w) staming Ralph Bellamy and Thurston Half. Drama about a killer who undergoes surgery in order to make a new identity for himself. Directed by Harry Lachman (Teletext) (9164212) 2.40em Beat Specials. Molly Halfhead and

Dodgy (r) (s) (1777800). Ends at 3.35

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10.00 Moment of Truth: To Welk Again (1994) (916)8) 2.00pm A Million to One (1993) (50786) 4.00 The Secret Garden (1993) (7105 8.00 Meric and the Mob (1990) (53250) 9.00 Bittle Chips (1994) (75095) 10.00 Dangerous Game (1993) (942947) 11.50 Deeth Match (1994) (22095) 1.25em Les Victiours (1994) (24049) 3.15 The All-emerican Boy (19973) 16570274 (1**973**) (60550274)

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India's Texaco Trophy challenge fades after dazzling opening partnership

Lewis returns with four-wicket burst

By ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

toss): India, with five wickets standing, need 196 runs from 32.5 overs to beat England

THE rehabilitation of England's cricket fortunes may be a protracted business, but the patient made an encouraging start on the road to recovery yesterday. India had been subdued, if not quite conquered, when the forecast rain arrived on schedule at the Oval. The frustration of having to complete the first Texaco Trophy game in a near-empty ground today will seem a small price to pay for an England team that needs nothing more urgently than a reacquaintance with victory.

it was not an entirely smooth ride, for England won a toss that might have been better lost, batted when the pitch was inhospitable and failed to achieve their lofty targets in the initial 15 overs. Later, the defence of a healthy 291. 91 of them made by Graeme Hick, was imperilled by a thrilling Indian counter-

Simon Wilde Mature Hussain Wells in spate

attack that brought 52 runs from a wayward first five

versatility that the selectors sought, the specific suitability for one-day cricket that they identified. was endorsed at each wrong turning, England's cricket was more vibrant, and better directed, than at any stage of the World Cup and, when the rain came, it was India who retreated

At the time, they were sinking fast. From 54 without loss in the sixth over, they had subsided to 68 for five in the twelfth. Most of the damage was inflicted by Chris Lewis. who took four wickets for six in 21 balls, displaying confirmation of his enviable yet elusive talent and gratitude to the selectors who gave him one more chance to fulfil it.

The selectors, indeed, could congratulate themselves on choices and tactics that were largely successful. Even Raymond Illingworth, the chairman, emerged smiling after two days of lying low and was superficially untroubled by the storm of disapproval gath-

THE OVAL (England won ering against his forthcoming book. Lancashire entered the debate vesterday, voicing disapproval to the Test and County Cricket Board over its nature and timing. Illingworth is also threatened by legal action from Ian Botham, over some unflattering remarks made in a news-

It is developing into open season for those who disapprove of Illingworth's style and would prefer him re-moved from office. To date, the chairman is rising genially above it.

He says that he has been happy to leave the final preparations for this tournament to David Lloyd, the new coach, and Michael Atherton, the captain. It was their decision to include an extra bowler at the expense of Matthew Maywere three international newcomers, all specialist one-day

Alistair Brown, the first of them, made a mixed impression. Dropped at slip, by Rathore off the luckless Srinath, from the second ball that he received, Brown had the limitations of his defensive technique thoroughly exposed, but he was not picked to defend and, amid some embarrassing moments, he also struck the ball in uncompromising fashion.

Orie bookmaker offered a spread of 80-85 on the 15-over score, but England, in the event, did not come close. They lost Atherton, to a beauty from Prasad, and Smith, to Mhambrey's fifth ball in international cricket. When the field was spread, they had reached only 64.

Brown fell to a loose drive soon after, prefacing what might now be thought the interlude of "proper batting" that occupies the middle overs of a one-day innings. Hick and Thorne added 56 in ten overs before Thorpe, nibbling inadvisedly at Jadeja, edged to Mongia.

Stewart, betrayed by the nervousness of a man under pressure for his place, set off or a single as he pushed to the left of Jadeja, the bowler, and found that he had underestimated his agility and accuracy. So it fell to the allrounders, two of them new and one recalled, to accompany Hick through the closing

Irani made only ll, but was



Atherton moves in to congratulate Lewis who is already signalling his delight at knocking back the departing Sidhu's off stump. Photograph: Marc Aspland

a shade unlucky to be caught on the long-leg boundary. Ealham hit Tendulkar for two consecutive sixes on his way to 40 from 34 balls and Lewis dominated the last four overs as Hick, driving expansively and unselfishly, was out nine

short of a deserved century. The last ten overs of the England innings had yielded 92 runs, but Tendulkar and Rathore threatened to eclipse that, unerringly punishing the leg-stump line of the new-ball bowlers. It was heady cricket, but Lewis stalled it effectively once Rathore had hit overconfidently across a fulllength ball. The promotion of Kumble was baffling and brief and Martin's successful legbefore shout against Tendulkar was vital, if contentious.

Sidhu and time for composure had arrived. Although Azharuddin and Jadeja survived a 20minute resumption in grim light India's main hope now is that the weather restricts further play today. The match is official once 25 overs of the second innings have been bowled. If India have scored 146 by then, they can still win.

(85min, 52 balls, 4 lours) N M K Smith c Tendulkar (15min, 11 balls, 4 fours) G A Hick c Manjrekar b Srinath ... 91 (151min, 102 balls, 1 six, 4 fours) G P Thorpe c Mongla b Jadeja ... 26 (40mln, 31 balls, 2 fours)

†A J Stewart run out (Jadeja) 3 (7min. 6 balls) R C trani c Prasad b Kumble 11 (18min, 13 balls) M A Eatham b Kumble

P J Martin did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-31 (Brown 18), 2-57 (Brown 25), 3-85 (Hick 11), 4-141 (Hick 37), 5-147 (Hick 40), 6-176 (Hick 54), 7-252 (Hick 85), 8-276 (Lewis 17) 54), 7-252 (Fack 85), 8-276 (Lews 17) BOWLING: Srineth 10-1-45-1 (nb 1, w 2: 4 fours; 6-1-20-0, 2-0-11-0, 2-0-14-11; Prasad 10-1-63-1 (nb 1; 1 six, 5 fours; 6-1-28-1, 4-0-35-0); Mhambrey 9-0-69-2 (w 7; 8 fours; 7-0-50-2, 2-0-19-0); Kumble 10-1-29-2 (1 four; 5-0-12-0, 3-1-7-1, 2-0-10-1); Tendulkar 6-0-44-0 (w 2: 3 sixes; 1 four; 5-0-27-0, 1-0-17-0); tendef 5-0-29-1 (-ex-en)

0-17-0); Jadeja 5-0-29-1 (one spell)

SCOREBOARD FROM THE DVAL

A Kumble c Hick b Lewis

(1min, 2 balls) N S Sidhu b Lewis ... (17min, 13 balls) S V Manirekar b Lewis .

Extras (b 4, fb 2, w 4, nb 1] Total (5 wkts, 17.1 overs, 80min) .96 tN R Mongia, J Srinath, P L Mhambrey and B K V Prasad to bat

28), 2-54 (Tendulkar 28), 3-56 (Skibu 0), 4-62 (Azheruddin 3), 5-68 (Azheruddin 4). 40-4 (nb 1; 1 six, 3 fours; one spell); Martin 6-0-29-1 (w 2; 4 fours; one spell); spell).

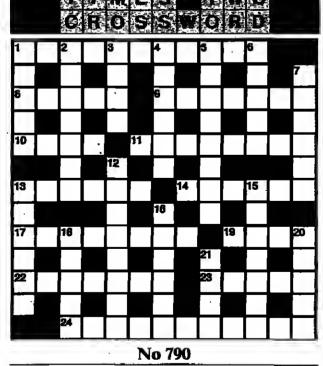
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 - 24 With remorseless regularity

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Barmby's England renaissance exposes the cracks in China ute to the depth of character in

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FROM ANDREW LONGMORE IN PEKING

THIS was how it used to be. England travel to far-flung corners of the earth to administer a sharp lesson to willing pupils. Nobody, for once, could begrudge the officials of the Football Association their smiles nor the mixture of joy and relief on the face of Terry Venables, the England coach, whose side showed admirable composure in an atmosphere of noise and passion long forgotten in the echoing mausoleum of Wembley.

For once, England found themselves in a game that really mattered in front of a crowd that really cared, and the spirit of a soft, Oriental night will travel happily with them through the tougher tests to come. Two goals by Nick Barmby and a third by the irrepressible Paul Gascoigne were apt reward for England's professionalism. Any more would have been an injustice to China, who had enough to cope with in the violent emotional swings of the 65,000 crowd in the Work-

ers' Stadium here. Greeted with an ear-splitting moan of plastic trumpets on walking out, China were booed with equal ferocity at the end as allegiance was seamlessly transferred to the shoulders of the conquerors midway through the second

The lasting image of an historic occasion will not be of Gascoigne, brandishing his deserved trophy as the England man of the match and being cheered as if he was the

President, nor of the Neville brothers acknowledging their achievement with the sort of polite handshake you might reserve for the mother-in-law, but of the talented young Hao Haidung walking away alone with his side's man-of-thematch trophy to be greeted with a shower of confetti by his own people - the confetti of surrender. He did not deserve

such ignominy. "The Chinese team are stupid," was the final insulting chant. The England players will sympathise. So much could have gone wrong for them on a substandard pitch against opposition with glory in their eyes and fire in their bellies, but the manner in which an inexperienced side destroyed hopes and built authority before adding a flourish to the

final construction was a trib-

Venables's squad. We went back on our heels for about ten minutes before half-time, and they began to show what they could do," Venables said. "Before that, we had got at them and not let

them turn. Much of the credit should be given to Tony Adams, the captain, who came through his first competitive match in four months with barely a sign of rust. Flanked by the Nevilles, Adams cajoled his side forward, harrying China into elementary errors.

Alongside Adams in the plus column - and, almost certainly, on the list of the final 22 for the European championship finals - can be written the name of Barmby. Venables was waiting for a performance similar to his



Gascoigne glides past China's last line of defence to complete the scoring for England in Peking yesterday

lombia last autumn and, in the humid air of Peking, he was rewarded for his patience by a bubbly, intelligent, exhibition of forward running

crowned by two goals, each

timed to perfection.

The first came just before the half-hour when a rightfoot shot crashed against the post and fell invitingly back for completion; the second, seven minutes after half-time. Again Anderton was the instigator, with a swift long pass to Gascoigne, who released Barmby on the left side of the penalty area. The delicate chip over the goalkeeper must have lifted Barmby's spirits as much as it depressed the crowd's and, when Gascoigne clipped home the third, 12 minutes later, the influence of Tottenham Hotspur past and

present was complete. As the match was over, the substitutions began, the most forlorn departure made by Alan Shearer, just back from a hernia operation, well-marked by Fan Zhiyi (a centre forward himself) but still worryingly off-colour in an England shirt. Fowler looked more dangerous in 15 minutes than Shearer did in 75, but even that could not tarnish a good night's work. When these two next play each other, the gap will be narrower. For the moment, the Chinese takeaway has been postponed. This was a spring roll for England.

Spiring rout for England.

CHINA (1-3-4-2): Ou Chulliang — Xu Hong
— Wei Oun, Fen Zhyi, Li Honggun — Xie
Yuan (sub: Li Meng, 45mh), Li Bing (sub:
Peng Weiguo, 45), Jiang Feng (sub Gao
Zhongoun, 33), Ma Mingyn — Gao Feng,
Hao Haidung.
ENGLAND (3-14-1-1): T Flowers (sub: Li
Walker, 64) — G Noville, A Adams (sub: Li
Enogu, 76), P Noville — G Southgate — S
McMaraman (sub: Stone, 80), P Gascogne, J Redinapp, D Andenton — N
Bermby (sub: P Beardsley, 72) — A Shearer
(sub: R Fowler, 72).
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